



Fire boat flips on test run

Crew suffers minor injuries

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Eight people were thrown into Halifax Harbour yesterday when a controversial fire-fighting boat flipped on a test run.

The incident happened near the Dartmouth Coast Guard base, and a rescue operation was quickly scrambled, plucking the crew from the water. All were taken to hospital with minor injuries.

Local boat builders reacted angrily earlier this year when the 28-foot California-built vessel won a fire-department tender. At the time, the president of Rosborough Boats and Marine warned against buying the \$250,000 boats.

James Rosborough said it "will prove to not only be a financial and operational failure, but will endanger the users and incident victims." He could not be reached yesterday.

HRM has not bought the boat yet — the deal was conditional on the test run.

Adam Erland was one of the rescuers. He works for the coast guard's Joint Rescue Co-ordination Centre.

"I heard an odd sound

Investigation

• Halifax fire department along with the Transportation Safety Board are investigating the incident.

and then saw a boat overturned," he said from the scene. His cutter crew headed for the men bobbing in the harbour. "We got (the most injured) into the fast-rescue craft first and then got the other five guys."

Mike Lerue, spokesman for HRM fire services, said the crash happened around 11 a.m. in calm waters. Five on board were firefighters, one was a student at a marine institute, and two were connected to the seller.

"This type of vessel is designed to operate in the conditions of the Halifax Harbour ... Trials have been underway all week and until this point, the vessel had performed very well, even in rough-sea conditions.

"Everything was going really well," Lerue said when asked about his confidence in the boat. "It's hard to say until we look into it."

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A fire services boat is docked at the Dartmouth Coast Guard base after it flipped on a test run yesterday. HRM has not bought the boat yet, as the deal was conditional on the test run.

Metro a million strong

READERS Metro Canada broke the one million daily reader milestone for the first time, according to results released on Sept. 17 by the Newspaper Audience Databank (NADbank).

In addition, Metro has maintained and strengthened its position as the number one free daily in Canada. Metro Canada now reaches 1,091,800 readers every weekday and 2,253,200 readers weekly in Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Calgary, Edmonton and Vancouver.

This represents an increase of 26 per cent, or 223,600 more weekday readers over NADbank 2006/07. Metro Canada launched Metro Halifax in February 2008. Readership results for Metro's coast-to-coast coverage will be available in March 2009.

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Two hurt in altercation

DISPUTE One man has been airlifted to Halifax with serious head injuries and a second is in the Northside General Hospital with non-life threatening injuries following an altercation at around 2 a.m. yesterday in North Sydney.

Police have confirmed the man airlifted to Halifax is an American citizen. His relatives in the U.S. have been notified.

A dispute between two groups at Dooleys Billiards escalated into the street. Police aren't sure of the number of people involved, but estimate between eight and 10 people. Charges are pending.

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Reconstructing Egypt

The Discovery Centre in downtown Halifax is hosting the LEGO show *Secrets Of The Pharaohs* starting Friday and running through Jan. 4. To kick off this exhibit, Canada's only LEGO certified professional Robin Sather will build a giant sphinx from LEGO bricks in two and a half days.

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Tomorrow's Metro Movies

Igor, a cartoon update of Frankenstein.

Hanna floods county store

WEATHER Phil Ripley compared the noise in the K&D Rite Stop's kitchen to Niagara Falls. That's how much water was backing up into the store's basement during tropical storm Hanna.

"Water was pumping out of the sinks like I had never seen it before," said Ripley, still dealing with flooding days later.

During Hanna's dump on Cumberland County, Ripley says the basement to the store was dry when he left around 10:45 a.m. Following a power outage an hour later, Ripley returned to the store and found the basement flooded.

METRO HALIFAX

The Green Party launched its national platform in Halifax yesterday, saying its fully-costed plan is the key to a thriving, green economy.

Party leader Elizabeth May took shots at Stéphane Dion, Stephen Harper and Jack Layton as she spoke in Grand Parade. "We are the realists," May said. "While other parties look backward and resist change, we face the major threats of our time – the climate crisis, economic instability, increasing militarism and a growing gap between the rich and poor – with clear-eyed realism."

Asked how her green tax shift differed from Dion's Liberal green shift, May said her party is going fur-



Elizabeth May speaks to media and Green Party faithful at Parade Square in Halifax yesterday.

ther. She cited a proposed \$50-per-ton carbon tax, compared to the Grits' "tepid" \$10-a-ton.

The Greens would also bring GST back up to six per cent and spend the money on infrastructure. "(Harper) promises a steady hand at the wheel, but he is like a stubborn, frightened captain steering his ship toward a dangerous reef," May said. "We in the Green Party look forward to the day when our grandchildren can look back and thank us."

May reiterated her support for decriminalizing

Learn more

• Read the full platform at www.greenparty.ca

marijuana, arguing the "prohibitionist" approach is doomed to failure.

"I am not a fan of marijuana use. I have to confess this – I know all politicians are asked – I've never used marijuana. I apologize," joked May.

She also attacked NDP leader Jack Layton, saying "he knows better" than his party's policies on climate change.

"Mr. Layton has chosen politics over protecting the planet," she said.

She added that she invites Layton and Dion to meet with her to devise a "serious plan" to reduce emissions.

She pledged to cut military spending and prioritize money for Canadian companies, a reference to a recent government decision to drop the military's use of Truro's Grohmann's knives in favour of cheaper Chinese ones.

May is leaving Halifax for a cross-Canada train trip on Sunday.

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Ambulance crash kills patient

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One woman is dead and the two paramedics transporting her are in hospital after an ambulance left Highway 103 and rolled into the woods near Hubbards yesterday.

The patient was being transferred from hospital in Halifax to the South Shore Regional Hospital in Bridgewater.

"It was a non-urgent transfer," said Emergency Health Services spokesman, Paul Maynard. Police believe the 53-year-old patient is from the South Shore area.

Maynard said two paramedics were taken to hospital in serious condition.

The driver was pinned in the ambulance and was cut free with the Jaws of Life before being airlifted to the Halifax with severe leg injuries. The second paramedic was in the back of the ambulance when it rolled. Maynard said he has internal injuries and at least one broken leg.

The injuries are not life-threatening. The men are listed in serious but stable condition.

"It's a pretty nice day and it's a good stretch of highway. We're not sure exactly what happened," Maynard said.

RCMP Sgt. Mark Gallagher said the ambulance was heading west around 10:30 a.m. on a slight turn about three kilometres past Exit 6.

"The vehicle just went left of centre and into the ditch on the opposite side of the road," Gallagher said.

"It looks like the vehicle may have overturned... and struck some rocks that made it stop suddenly."

The deceased woman was still in the ambulance by mid-afternoon. Sgt. Gallagher said the medical examiner had yet to release the body.

It will likely take some time before investigators known what caused the crash. Sgt. Gallagher said the driver will probably require surgery and won't be interviewed for a few days.

He said two witnesses saw the crash, one traveling in each direction.

4-H Show comes to Windsor

Young people from across Nova Scotia will present projects and compete in events during the annual Nova Scotia 4-H Show from September 26 through 28 at the Exhibition Grounds in Windsor. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Nova Scotians steamed over rate hike

Residents, MLAs vent frustrations over proposed 9.4 per cent increase at meeting

DEVIN STEVENS
for Metro Halifax

POWER A Tory cabinet minister — along with representatives from both opposition parties — pleaded with the electricity rate's review board to think of the underprivileged facing the cold of the coming winter.

But it was heartfelt urging from a disabled senior that led off the Utility and Review Board meeting Wednesday.

"Disability pension people cannot afford the type of raise that they're looking for," New Glasgow senior, Charlotte MacKeeman said.

She outlined a long legal struggle she had with Nova Scotia Power, where the utility hired a high-powered law firm to fight her for \$400 she didn't owe. She guessed they spent at least \$3,000.

"If they got that kind of money to throw around, I don't feel they should get the increase they're looking for ... I think they should start with cleaning up their office before they look for the raise on the other end."

rate hike

- Nova Scotia Power originally requested a 12.1 per cent rate hike for residents; they are now asking for a 9.4 per cent increase.
- Nova Scotia Power made almost \$60 million in profits in the last quarter.



Liberal leader Stephen McNeil speaks at a Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board public hearing into a proposed rate increase for Nova Scotia Power on Wednesday night.

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Transportation Minister Murray Scott brought up

the fact Nova Scotia Power made almost \$60 million in profits in the latest quarter alone.

The company also wants to spend \$58.2 million dol-

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Charlotte MacKeeman, a resident of New Glasgow

lars to turn an old power plant into its own office space.

NDP candidate, Linda Power, presented the board with a 8,700-name petition against the increase. The paper used to print it was stacked about 10 inches high.

Liberal leader Stephen McNeil slammed the utility — along with the Progressive Conservative government — for failing to get off dirty and expensive fossil fuels, and onto greener alternatives. "What Nova Scotia needs for a greener future is incredibly clear," McNeil said.

"However the road to get there has not been presented by this government."

Gas price reset twice this week

PHILIP CROUCHER
for Metro Halifax

GAS PRICES Premier Rodney MacDonald said gasoline regulation is working in Nova Scotia even though the province's interrupter clause has been used twice in less than a week to set new prices.

The price of fuel in Nova Scotia was scaled back by about nine cents a litre yesterday, four days after the cost skyrocketed by 12 cents because of Hurricane Ike.

The government normally sets its price every Friday, but in the last six days the cost at the pump has changed on three different occasions.

"The interrupter clause is there for a reason. It's for situations that arise in the marketplace such as what has happened in the past couple of weeks. So, it has worked," MacDonald told reporters yesterday.

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Premier Rodney MacDonald

fax now stands at just over \$1.34 per litre, down about nine cents from Saturday's increase.

According to Dale Madill of Service Nova Scotia, which is responsible for the provincial regulation system, the price at the pump remains three cents higher because the price for refined gasoline hasn't come down completely from a 50-cent spike last week.

If the market continues in its decline, Taylor said it will be reflected in the new fuel price set this Friday.

"We'd like to see nothing more than the price to go down," said MacDonald, who blamed speculators for the price spike.

"In fact, when prices go up, volumes go down, and that impacts our bottom line."

Liberal Leader Stephen McNeil doesn't buy this argument, accusing the government of "trying to line its coffers" by keeping the price of gasoline up an extra few cents.

"Because this government has been so stubborn and unwilling to admit that regulation has been a colossal failure, and has only taken more and more money out of the pockets of Nova Scotians, we continue to be gouged week after week," McNeil said.

A pre-planned review of Nova Scotia's regulation system is underway, with results expected in the fall.

Border patrol agents testify in Glen Race murder trial

COURTS While patrolling along the Rio Grande last May, Ramon Vargas Jr. had no idea he was about to encounter an international murder suspect.

The senior Border Patrol agent was responding to a sensor activation along the Texas river's bank May 15, 2007, when he spotted a man walking near the water and nearby Mexican border.

"I drove up to the subject and identified myself as a Border Patrol agent," Vargas testified yesterday morning during the seventh day of Glen Race's murder trial in Clinton County Court.

After asking the man for identification, Vargas said, the seemingly friendly traveller pulled out a Nova Scotia ID card bearing the name of Glen Douglas Race, who he recognized as the prime suspect in the murders of 35-year-old Darcy Manor of Mooers Forks and two Canadian men.

To confirm the man's identity, Vargas said, he asked him for a passport.

But when the man reached into one of his two bags, Vargas said, "that's when I saw what appeared to be the stock of a rifle."

The situation quickly escalated into a tense and physical confrontation after the agent spotted the weapon, which an expert has linked to the May 10, 2007, shooting death of Manor.

Other Texas-based Border Patrol agents later testified about responding to Vargas's distress call and about taking the murder suspect into custody.

Defense attorney Mark McCormick will begin presenting Race's insanity defense Monday. It is unclear whether Race, who is diagnosed with schizophrenia, will take the stand in his own defense.

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Metro readership tops 1 million

Breaking the one-million milestone is exciting for Metro's newest Canadian paper in Halifax.

The Newspaper Audience Databank (NADbank) released yesterday shows Metro Canada has over one million readers nationwide. That's a 26 per cent increase over NADbank's 2006-07 numbers — or 223,600 more weekday Metro readers.

"To see double digit growth in readership is outstanding," said Greg Lutes, publisher of Metro Halifax.

Metro Halifax launched in February and its numbers weren't included in the latest survey. Readership results for Metro's coast-to-coast coverage will be available in March.

"Metro Halifax, recently increased its circulation 20% to 30,000 copies and will have NADbank readership numbers next spring. Based on the demand we have had in this market I am confident that we will have strong results adding to the continued growth of

The numbers on Metro

- Metro is the only daily newspaper in Montreal and Toronto to experience an increase of daily readers 18 years of age and older
- Metro Montreal's readership is now 324,700 daily — an increase of 13,500 daily readers
- Metro Ottawa's readership is 67,900, an increase of 14,100 readers, or more than 26 per cent. Metro Ottawa also has more than twice the daily readers of 24 Hours
- Metro Toronto's readership soared 25 per cent to 471,300

Metro in Canada."

Bill McDonald, group publisher of Metro English Canada said they are only beginning to realize the full potential and power of this growing media brand.

"With the addition of Halifax and the re-launch of our web strategy this year, along with circulation increases in Toronto and other markets, Metro will continue to experience substantial growth in

daily readers from 377,700

- Metro Toronto's readership has surpassed the Toronto Sun to become the second most read daily in the Greater Toronto Area. Metro Toronto reaches 471,300 readers every weekday, while the Toronto Sun reaches 462,200 (a decrease of 25,200, or five per cent)
- Metro Vancouver had the largest per cent growth in the market. Metro Vancouver's readership is 143,900 — an increase of 18,400 readers, or 15 per cent

the coming months and years," McDonald said.

Metro Canada's readership strengthened in all markets. Readership climbed 16 per cent to 1,007,800 when comparing the four markets (Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Vancouver) measured from 2006-07 to 2007-08. The 2007-08 results include initial readership figures for Metro Calgary and Edmonton, which launched in the

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spring of 2007. Calgary's initial readership is 43,700 daily and 82,800 weekly — nearly twice the reach of 24 hours Calgary (19,500 daily, 72,800 weekly).

Metro Edmonton's initial readership is 40,300 daily and 98,900 weekly, better than 24 hours Edmonton (34,700 daily, 91,400 weekly).

Metro is the nation's No. 1 free daily national newspaper, and the first national daily to publish in both official languages. Metro Canada is part of the Metro International network, the world's largest global newspaper. **METRO CANADA**



Yesterday Justice Minister Cecil Clarke announced the medical examiner's findings into the death of a man in a Dartmouth jail. There will also be a government inquiry into Howard Hyde's death.

Taser didn't kill Hyde: Report

DEVIN STEVENS
for Metro Halifax

HEALTH Nova Scotia's chief medical examiner says excited delirium, not a Taser blast from Halifax police, killed a man in a Dartmouth jail last year.

The examiner's report said artery disease, obesity and physical restraint also contributed to Howard Hyde's death.

Hyde died Nov. 22 after a

struggle with guards at a Dartmouth jail.

Halifax Regional police had tased the man suffering from paranoid schizophrenia the day before.

They issued a news release yesterday saying they hope the report brings closure for Hyde's family.

"Neither the RCMP nor the Medical Examiner's investigations found any wrongdoing on the part of police," the release said.

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local 5



Jamie Trowbridge was in Halifax yesterday promoting his publication, the Canadian edition of The Old Farmer's Almanac 2009.

Brace for big chill: Farmer's Almanac

PHILIP CROUCHER
for Metro Halifax



You'll need your toque and mittens this winter, and a shovel nearby.

The Canadian edition of The Old Farmer's Almanac 2009 has hit store shelves and is forecasting a cold winter for Nova Scotia. The good news is that frigid air should come with less white stuff, although some snow is still coming.

"We're looking at a colder than average winter, but less snowfall than usual," said publisher Jamie Trowbridge, in Halifax yesterday to promote his popular publication.

"I guess it is good-news, bad-news, depending on how you look at it. Some people like the snow. They'd rather it be warmer and snowier."

December is predicted to be a very cold month, with

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Jamie Trowbridge

temperatures expected to be about five degrees below normal. In fact, for the dates of December 23 to 25, the words "snowstorm" and "very cold" are both used.

If cold's not your thing, there's more bad news. The Almanac has forecasts through to next October, and is predicting temperatures in Atlantic Canada to be one or two degrees below normal in the summer of 2009.

"We're actually predicting a cooling trend over the next two decades,

which is kind of running counter to global warming," Trowbridge said.

The Almanac's predictions are based largely on the cycles of the sun and moon, with other variables mixed in. Trowbridge said the Almanac enjoys an 80 per cent accuracy rate.

But the new edition of the Almanac offers other features, too, including a story on how to live to be 100 or more.

The article states that Nova Scotia has one centenarian for every 5,000 people, which is double the tally in New England. It also points out that Canadians have a higher life expectancy than Americans by two and a half years.

"I think Americans don't do a very good job of taking it easy," laughed Trowbridge, who is from New Hampshire. "Maybe Canadians do a better job, I can't say."

Nominations sought for human rights award

HONOUR Sixty years after a Canadian drafted the United Nation's Universal Declaration of Human Rights, officials are seeking nominations for a human rights award in Nova Scotia.

"There are people we encounter every day who are doing positive work to enhance human rights in our communities, and these people deserve to be recognized," said Krista Daley, director and CEO of the Nova Scotia Human Rights

Online

- The deadline for nominations is Friday, Oct. 31 and the award will be presented in December. Nomination forms are available at the commission's website: www.gov.ns.ca/humanrights/par.htm

Commission.

The award's theme is "Belonging: Celebrating 60 years of Human Rights."

METRO HALIFAX

Hot tubs stolen from Pictou store

CRIME Pictou County District RCMP is investigating the theft of nearly \$20,000 worth of goods from Suntime Enterprises in Green Hill. Keith MacKay, the store's owner, said the lock was cut on a compound containing two large hot tubs. The thieves made a ramp out of lumber to drag the units into an old snowmobile trailer owned by MacKay for hauling hot tubs, hitched it to a vehicle and dragged it away.

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by
April Cornell

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Ads are 'normalizing' gambling: Study

JON TATTRIE
for Metro Halifax

Odds are you'll see 65 advertisements tempting you to gamble by the end of today.

A new study from Saint Mary's University found Nova Scotians see almost 2,000 radio, print and billboard

ads each month, telling us that if we play our cards right, an easy life of wealth and fun awaits.

"The high-volume exposure ... has helped gambling assert itself as a culturally embedded feature of every day life," said chief researcher Dr. John McMullan. "In one generation, advertising has normalized gam-

bling as fun, gainful and pleasurable.”

The project, funded by the Nova Scotia Gaming Corporation, counted 114,538 advertisements by Atlantic Lottery between January 2005 and December 2006. 47,000 of those were in Nova Scotia.

McMullan said the lack of losers was the main problem.

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"The potential dangers and pitfalls of gambling are sadly absent or woefully inadequate in much commer-

cial advertising about gambling," he said. Almost 70 per cent of the ads did mention responsible gambling.

but that was relegated to the small print.

"The seductive dream-world of the casino and its games, dense with symbols of affluence, consumption and pleasure overshadowed the real world of gambling with its diminutive opportunities for actually winning jackpots," Dr. McMullan concluded.

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Energy firm talking beets

ETHANOL Atlantic BioEnergy Corporation (ABC) has contracts in place for 520 acres of sugar beets for ethanol production across Nova Scotia this year and has been hosting field days with growers to demonstrate the merits of the crop. ABC held one such field day in Northville Aug. 26 at the farm of John and Peter Swetnam. The Swetnams have a crop of ABC's sugar beets in the ground, and John Swetnam said this particular variety is a long-season beet and the land they're planted in is too heavy for carrots or onions.

METRO HALIFAX

Flood damage leaves couple starting over

MARGAREE VALLEY Flood damage caused by heavy rains earlier this month left a couple here forced to start over, after their four-year-old mini-home has been deemed uninhabitable.

Jim Burton initially estimated that damage to the home could top \$30,000. But after a representative of Smith & Fraser Homes, who deal in mini-homes, visited the property, he discovered the home is a complete loss and the cost of replacing it and constructing a necessary frost wall will total \$113,000.

set it up here, they said this will do you for the rest of your life, and that's what my plan was," he said.

"I'm burnt out. It's a big one, but I can't take a chance, this might happen again ... it's going to have an eight-inch frost wall, so a lot of water can hit it."

Burton's wife Dorothy, who is dependent on a wheelchair, has not been able to stay at the Egypt Road mini-home. While

their own home was modified to accommodate her wheelchair, Dorothy, who survived polio and suffers

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...do you for the rest of your
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Mini-home owner Jim Burton

from severe osteoporosis, must use crutches to get around the home of a friend who has offered them shelter.

The current home has been cleaned out and is ready to be removed from the site, Burton said.

"We can't live in it, but we're still paying for it," he said. Their insurance company has indicated their home insurance does not cover the cost of the flood damage.

"The bank is starting us off with a fresh mortgage, but I already had a fresh mortgage, and we've got a home here with \$88,000 worth of insurance that we can't live in, yet we still have insurance on until we get it out of here," he said. "It's sad, my nerves are shot."

Later this month, electricity will be disconnected and work will begin on constructing the frost wall.

Jim is an iron worker.
Dorothy is not able to
work due to her disability.

A culvert has been installed in the area, but Burton said he believes more work needs to be done, including more ditching and additional culverts.

Burton has advised homeowners to carefully study their policies so they understand exactly what damages they cover.

THE CAPE BRETON POST

Big drop for raising funds

The Easter Seals Drop Zone fundraiser, which will see people rappel down Halifax's tallest building, takes place tonight and tomorrow at 1801 Hollis Street. Spectators are welcome. **METRO HALIFAX**

News in brief

ROBBERY The RCMP are investigating a robbery and assault of a 20-year-old man. Police say he was walking home on Arklow Drive when he was grabbed from behind by two men. They hit him on the right side of his face and left with the man's iPod.

DRUGS Police stopped a suspicious vehicle inside a garage in Cole Harbour yesterday. They found marijuana and cocaine, as well as money and drug paraphernalia. A 22-year-old man was arrested and charged with trafficking.

ATTEMPT Five young people surrounded a car and demanded money yesterday around 5:30 p.m. on Pinecrest Drive in Dartmouth.

METRO HALIFAX

Parking rates cheaper than most

For those who think they're paying too much for parking each day in downtown Halifax, it could be worse.

The National Parking Association released the results of a survey examining parking rates throughout the United States and Canada yesterday, with Halifax coming in the middle of the pack when it comes to the cost for average monthly unreserved parking and daily parking.

Of the 131 cities surveyed, Halifax was tied for 43rd in unreserved monthly parking at a rate average of \$120. New York topped the list at \$479, followed by Boston at \$437 and Honolulu at \$389.



The cost of parking in Halifax has increased recently but it's still cheaper than many North American cities.

Calgary led all Canadian cities at \$293. The overall average was \$128.04.

The survey said on-street metered parking was undervalued.

By the hour

- The survey looked into first-hour parking rates for lots, with Century City, CA coming first at \$16.00. Brooklyn, N.Y. was second at \$15.00 followed by Boston at \$14.25. Halifax's first-hour average was \$2.50, putting it near the bottom.

In daily parking rates, Halifax was 44th with an average of \$12 per day. San Diego topped the list at \$41 per day, followed by New York City at \$38.50 and Honolulu at \$34.50.

The top Canadian city was Edmonton at \$29.00.

Union battle lands in Supreme Court

WORKERS Both sides of a labour dispute at Logistec took their case to the province's capital for an injunction hearing.

Unionized employees of Logistec, along with company officials, appeared in Supreme Court in Halifax regarding a picket by locked-out workers.

Over half a dozen trucks employed by Cape Breton Bulk Carriers Ltd. were thwarted from picking up coal at the Sydney coal pier and delivering it to customer Nova Scotia Power.

Bob Burchell, international representative for the UMWA, said he contacted the province and asked for permission to block a gate.

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One of six men who escaped from a Regina jail last month has been apprehended, the RCMP said last night. Daniel Wolfe, 32, was arrested in Winnipeg, the RCMP said. He is the second-last convict to be recaptured following a prison break at the Regina Correctional Centre on Aug. 24. **SOURCE: CBC NEWS ONLINE**

Canada



Ontario man Tasered, dies

A 42-year-old Brampton, Ont., man has died several hours after being tasered during a struggle at a Peel police station. Sean Reilly went into medical distress and was rushed to a Mississauga health centre where he died yesterday at 4:45 a.m. Ontario's Special Investigations Unit is now probing the in-custody death and has named four officers as subjects of their investigation. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Alleged drug lord busted

Colluccio called 'King of International Drug Trafficking'

The image of former Toronto resident Giuseppe Coluccio has been splashed throughout the Italian media over the past 24 hours as American authorities announced one of the largest international drug busts in history.

Coluccio, who lived in the Toronto area under the alias of "Joe Scarfo," was dubbed the "King of International Drug Trafficking" when American and Italian authorities yesterday announced the arrests of 507 of his alleged associates.

The Coluccio investiga-

deported

Coluccio, 41, was deported from Canada three weeks ago and is being held in an Italian prison awaiting trial on a series of outstanding trafficking charges.

tion was part of a larger operation which has resulted in mass arrests in Italy, the United States and Mexico.

"He's one of the leaders of the consortium that was the target of this operation," said organized-crime expert Antonio Nicaso, who has lectured

police forces on international crime.

"Canada was one of the destinations of the cocaine," Nicaso said.

Authorities say Coluccio's 'Ndrangheta group was linked to an organization in Atlanta, which coordinated the transportation of truckloads of hidden drugs and millions of dollars in currency.

"This operation confirms the power of the 'Ndrangheta in international drug trafficking," said Italian anti-Mafia prosecutor Nicola Gratteri, in an interview from Atlanta through an interpreter.

The massive operation

— dubbed "Project Reckoning" — was announced yesterday in Washington by U.S. Attorney General Michael Mukasey, while authorities said they had seized more than 40 tonnes of illegal drugs.

Project Reckoning centred on the links between Coluccio's 'Ndrangheta and a Mexican drug trafficking cartel known as the Gulf Cartel.

At the time of his arrest in Markham, Ont., on Aug. 7, Coluccio was considered to be one of Italy's most wanted criminals and a top figure in the notorious 'Ndrangheta.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Olympics Vancouver 2010



People stand in front of a projection yesterday during a ceremony in which VANOC, the organizing committee for the 2010 Olympic Winter Games, unveiled its graphic identity.

Police nab 17 in Bawdy house sting

TRACEY TONG
Metro Canada

OTTAWA Area police co-operated to arrest 17 people after nine common bawdy houses were busted in Gatineau, Que.

With the help of Ottawa police and the Canada Border Services Agency, Gatineau police arrested 17 people, including 13 women and four men.

"The Ottawa police and CBSA helped to identify the people," Gatineau Police Const. Isabelle Poirier said.

Police attended residences on St. Joseph Boulevard Clarence Road in Aylmer and Heron Road during the investigation, over several months.

All of the suspects are Asian and between the ages of 30 and 40 years old.

They face charges of possession of stolen goods, being in a common bawdy house and holding a common bawdy house.

Montreal On the hustings



Liberal candidate Justin Trudeau, left, campaigns yesterday in his Papineau riding in Montreal. Trudeau, as well as Mustaque Sarker of the Tories and Ingrid Hein of the Green Party, are trying to unseat incumbent Vivian Barbot of the Bloc Québécois.

Intended shooting target didn't know anyone had been shot

TORONTO He had no idea that someone had been shot.

The teen, who was the intended target of Tuesday's shooting at an east-end Toronto high school, had his mind focused on one thing: wrestling the gun away from his attacker so that no one, neither him nor the 10 other people around him, would get hurt.

"I just wanted to get the gun," said the 16-year-old, who does not want to be named. "I wanted to make sure he didn't shoot no one."

In an interview at his home yesterday following the shooting at Bendale Business and Technical Institute, the teen described the incident that sent the school into lockdown and the entire city into panic and shock.

Admittedly, the teen could barely see anything from the ground where he was pinned. Two shots were fired during the struggle.

He didn't know until later

charges

The 16-year-old shooting victim, who cannot be named under the Youth Criminal Justice Act, has been charged with armed robbery. Mike Deicis, an 18-year-old, was also charged with armed robbery.

that a 16-year-old had been shot in the chest at some point during the fight.

"I had no idea," he said. "I thought he was just going to shoot me."

The victim was among four men who approached the intended target around mid-morning Tuesday. They sidled up to him sitting on a bench outside the Toronto high school and asked him for "weed."

When he turned them down, saying he didn't have any drugs, one man inched closer to him, the teen said, flashed his gun and then smiled.

"I was shocked," the teen said. "So I tackled him."

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Innocent bystander shot in face

CALGARY A 24-year-old Brazilian and innocent bystander may be permanently blind after a stray bullet hit him just below his eye.

The man was walking with his girlfriend were Tuesday night in Calgary when a nearby scuffle be-

tween three men erupted in gunfire.

"Last night, one of our worst fears as a police service came true," Calgary police chief Rick Hanson said. "This type of senseless crime is just unfathomable."

METRO CANADA

News in brief

AFGHAN MISSION A financial watchdog is pledging to release his report into the costs of Canada's Afghanistan mission as soon as it is ready, although he's making no promises it will be public before election day. But opposition politicians want the par-

liamentary budget officer to ensure his report is released before the Oct. 14 vote.

SEX SHOP A children's hair salon in southwestern Calgary is moving because a sex shop has opened up next door, CBC News online reports. Beaners

is packing up and moving next month after more than 15 years. "We've lost quite a few customers," said manager Ashley Braun.

HEALTH The Ontario government will today announce \$21 million in funds

to fuel health research in the province. More than 100 projects, in everything from basic cancer research to drug development to blood vessel biology, will get a boost in funds especially earmarked for new equipment and lab space.

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Minority governments

In the past 50 years, Canada has had eight minority governments: In 1957-58, 1962-63, 1963-65, 1965-68, 1972-74, 1979-80, 2004-05, and the government resulting from the January 2006 election. **ELECTIONS CANADA**

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Election 2008

News in brief

EDUCATION Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion yesterday announced hundreds of millions of dollars in grants and student loans to assist college and university students struggling with the high cost of post-secondary education. Among other things, parents would no longer be able to use their children's post-secondary expenses as a tax credit, but rather the money would go right into the hands of the students themselves. It's part of a four-year, \$1.2-billion plan that Dion said a Liberal government would introduce to not only help students but dramatically increase indirect funding to post-secondary education.

RESIGNATION A marijuana activist who was running for the NDP in British Columbia just quit the race. Dana Larsen, 37, who was the candidate for the riding of West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea-to-Sky Country, submitted his resignation to the B.C. campaign team and it was accepted, NDP Leader Jack Layton told reporters in Toronto last night. Larsen resigned after a newspaper questioned the party about his involvement with a Vancouver store that once sold seeds for coca plants, which contain the alkaloids used to produce cocaine.

TRAVEL Where the leaders are today: Stephen Harper — Trois-Rivières, Drummondville; Stéphane Dion — Burlington, Ont., Toronto; Jack Layton — Winnipeg, Vancouver; Elizabeth May — Stellarton, New Glasgow, N.S.; Gilles Duceppe — Carleton-sur-Mer, St-Siméon.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE



NDP Leader Jack Layton meets children at a Toronto day-care centre yesterday, during an announcement for the party's child-care platform.

Billions for families

Liberals, NDP roll out social spending plans

It was family day on the campaign trail yesterday as the Liberals and New Democrats rolled out multibillion-dollar commitments for education and child care.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper's pledge was much more modest: He promised new measures to discourage children from accessing tobacco by banning additives such as cotton candy flavouring in tobacco products, and requiring cigarillos to be sold in larger quantities. He also condemned the opposition parties for proposing costly programs he says the country cannot afford.

Tory announcement

- The Conservatives quietly made their own big-ticket announcement yesterday, confirming \$1.9 billion already

The pledges highlighted the contrast in social spending philosophies of the opposition parties and the incumbent Conservatives.

NDP Leader Jack Layton promised to make universal day care the free health care of this century by enshrining it in law with a program that would cost \$1.45 billion in the first year.

Later in Kitchener, the Liberals revived their dream

earmarked in the last federal budget to renew housing and homelessness programs over five years.

of a national child-care plan from three years ago, bringing Liberal incumbent Ken Dryden (York Centre), who developed a national child-care plan as minister of social development for former prime minister Paul Martin, to help make the announcement. The annual cost of their plan would rise to \$1.25 billion over a four-year period.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Liberal MP calls for Ritz to resign

APOLOGY Federal Agriculture Minister Gerry Ritz was forced to apologize yesterday for "tasteless and completely inappropriate" jokes on an Aug. 30 government conference call during the listeriosis crisis.

"This is like a death by a thousand cuts. Or should I say cold cuts," Ritz quipped after fretting about the political dangers of the crisis.

And when told during the conference call about a new death in Prince Edward Island, Ritz remarked: "Please tell me it's Wayne Easter."

Easter, the Liberal MP for the P.E.I. riding of Malpeque, is his party's critic shadowing Ritz's Agriculture Department.

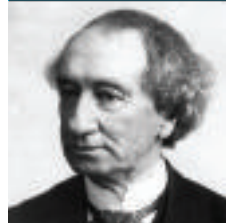
So far, 17 deaths have been linked to the listeriosis outbreak, which has been recently found in certain foods.

Both Easter and NDP Leader Jack Layton called for the minister's resignation last night.

"I've already called for Mr. Ritz's resignation over his handling of the listeriosis outbreak and his failure to tell the truth to Canadians about the government's role in it," Easter said.

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List



Sir John A. Macdonald

Prime ministers through the years

- Stephen Harper (2006 to present)
- Paul Martin (2003-06)
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- Brian Mulroney (1984-93)
- John Turner (1984)
- Pierre Trudeau (1980-84)
- Joe Clark (1979-80)
- Pierre Trudeau (1968-79)
- Lester (Mike) Pearson (1963-68)
- John Diefenbaker (1957-63)
- Louis St Laurent (1948-57)
- William Lyon Mackenzie King (1935-48)
- Richard B Bennett (1930-35)
- William Lyon Mackenzie King (1926-30)
- Arthur Meighen (1926)
- William Lyon Mackenzie King (1921-26)
- Arthur Meighen (1920-21)
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- Sir Wilfrid Laurier (1896-1911)
- Sir Charles Tupper (1896)
- Sir Mackenzie Bowell (1894-96)
- Sir John Thompson (1892-94)
- Sir John Abbott (1891-92)
- Sir John A Macdonald (1878-91)
- Alexander Mackenzie (1873-78)
- Sir John A Macdonald (1867-73)

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Anti-Muslim and anti-Jewish feelings are rising in several major European countries, including Spain, Poland and Germany, according to a worldwide survey released yesterday by the Washington-based Pew Research Center. **REUTERS**

World



Generic AIDS drug targeted

Brazil said yesterday it will start producing a generic version of a key AIDS drug, the latest step in the country's long-running battle with pharmaceutical giants to bring down the cost of treatment for HIV patients. **REUTERS**

Livni set to become new PM

Israeli foreign minister wins leadership of centrist Kadima party

Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni moved closer to becoming Israel's next prime minister after she declared victory yesterday in a party leadership election to choose a replacement for Ehud Olmert.

The count continued through the night, however, as former general Shaul Mofaz refused to concede defeat. Some of his aides spoke of contesting the result and complained of irregularities.

"The good guys won," Livni told supporters with the ruling centrist Kadima party after exit polls gave her a clear margin over Mofaz.

With some 80 per cent of votes counted, Livni led



Israel's Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni arrives to cast her ballot at a polling station in Tel Aviv.

by 46 per cent to 41.

Exit polls had earlier given Livni a winning margin

twice that size on a turnout of just over half of Kadima's 74,000 members.

This seemed to raise hopes in the Mofaz camp but there seemed little chance

he could close the gap.

Palestinian peace negotiators — and possibly the sponsors of the peace process in Washington — were among those applauding as early counts seemed to confirm a win for Livni, who has led talks with the Palestinians.

But Livni will require combative spirit and flair to consolidate her goal of becoming Israel's leader.

Olmert, who could be indicted for corruption, has said he will resign as soon as Kadima has a new leader, but he has also vowed to stay on in a caretaker capacity until Livni forges her own coalition government. Only then can she assume the prime ministership. **REUTERS**

Bombs at Yemen's U.S. embassy kill 16

SUICIDE ATTACK Two suicide car bombers set off explosions outside the heavily fortified U.S. embassy in Yemen yesterday, killing 16 people, a Yemeni Interior Ministry official said.

The U.S. State Department said the bombings bore the "hallmarks" of an al-Qaeda attack, but it has not yet been concluded who was to blame. **REUTERS**

Clinton pulls out of protest due to Palin

POLITICS Hillary Clinton cancelled her appearance at a demonstration against the president of Iran near the United Nations after learning Republican vice-presidential candidate Sarah Palin will be there.

"(Palin's) attendance was news to us," a Clinton aide said in an e-mail. **REUTERS**

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Australia allows cloning of human embryos

SCIENCE The Australian government has issued its first licence allowing scientists to create cloned human embryos to try and obtain embryonic stem cells.

The in vitro-fertilization firm Sydney IVF was granted the licence and reportedly has access to 7,200 human eggs for its research.

If the firm is successful it

Restrictions

- The creation and use of embryos is restricted by law in Australia. Human cloning for reproductive purposes is banned.

would be a world first, Australia's National Health

and Medical Research Council, which granted the licence, said yesterday.

Scientists in other countries have made stem cells they believe are similar to embryonic cells using a variety of techniques, but none have been able to extract embryonic stem cells from cloned human embryos. **REUTERS**

Washington Protest at hearing



Women protest on Capitol Hill in Washington during a Senate Judiciary Committee hearing on the "Oversight of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)" where FBI director Robert Mueller testified yesterday.

News in brief

SPACE A Russian cargo ship carrying food, fuel, water, scientific specimens, a space suit and presents docked at the International Space Station yesterday following a four-day delay after Hurricane Ike forced an evacuation of U.S. mission control in Texas last week, Russian media reported.

TURKEY The Image Hotel on Turkey's Mediterranean coast has fired all its male employees for repeatedly having affairs with foreign female guests, said manager Pelin Yucel yesterday. She said her 27-room hotel now only employs female staff. Most of the guests are British and Russian tourists.

ECONOMY Russian markets are paying a big price for Moscow's "reckless" decision to invade Georgia, which spurred capital to flee Russia and weakened its currency, a senior U.S. official said yesterday. **REUTERS**

Buyers give Alitalia new ultimatum, unions split

Italian group CAI told Italy's state-controlled airline Alitalia yesterday it would propose pulling an offer to rescue the airline from bankruptcy if the offer does not get union approval. Only three of nine unions said they were ready to accept CAI's offer. **REUTERS**

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Business

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Electric car **India's commuter curiosity**



The new-generation Reva electric car is seen in this undated photo near the Indian Parliament building in New Delhi. Reva began in the mid-1990s when Indian industrialist Chetan Maini started making electric cars in Bangalore. Today, several Revas can be seen tooting around Bangalore's crowded streets, drawing curious looks and smiles even from harried commuters.

Biovail acquires U.S. drugmaker

TAKEOVER As part of its move into central nervous system drugs, Biovail Corp. will pay \$100 million US for Prestwick Pharmaceuticals, which develops drugs for schizophrenia and Huntington's and Parkinson's diseases. **REUTERS**

Maple Leaf plant linked to listeriosis outbreak reopens

OUTBREAK Production resumed yesterday at the Maple Leaf Foods deli-meat plant at the centre of this summer's deadly outbreak of listeriosis food poisoning.

The Toronto-area facility will increase production gradually, but no products will be distributed until inspectors have verified that enhanced safety procedures are working. Maple

Leaf chief executive officer Michael McCain said.

"I think it would probably be reasonable to expect the product on the shelves mid- to late next week," McCain told a news conference in Toronto.

The Canadian Food Inspection Agency said it has allowed the plant to run for a three-day period during which products will be held and tested. **REUTERS**

Nortel in crisis again, plans restructure

TELECOM Nortel Networks Corp. shares plummeted 52 per cent to close at \$2.76 a share in Toronto yesterday as it cut its revenue forecasts, prepared for a new wave of layoffs and said it was looking at selling one

of its businesses.

Blaming the weak economy and cutbacks in spending by telecom companies that buy their products, Nortel projected lower-than-expected third-quarter sales. **REUTERS**

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Bearish TSX investors fear steep U.S. losses

Toronto's premier stock index closed in bear-market territory and at a two-year low yesterday as investors punished financial stocks amid concerns that Canadian insurers and banks could face steep losses over their exposure to the decaying U.S. financial industry.

New York's benchmark exchange, meanwhile, fell almost by more than 450 points as traders panned the U.S. Federal Reserve's massive \$85-billion US bailout of cash-strapped insurance giant American In-

"The fear is still palpable out there."

David Chapman

ternational Group Inc. That soured sentiment came as a high-ranking Standard and Poor's official suggested the rescue plan had "weakened the fiscal profile of the United States."

But gold shares glistened as bullion prices recorded their biggest one-day gain ever in dollar terms.

At the close of trading,

Toronto's S&P/TSX composite index lost 349.3 points to 11,877.69. The index has fallen 21.19 per cent from its June 18 record high of 15,073.13.

"I thought it was a bear market eons ago," said David Chapman, a technical strategist with Union Securities Ltd. "The fear is still palpable out there. We are probably at — or near — a temporary low ... The events of this past couple weeks or so have just been mind-spinning."

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Business in brief

OIL The viability of Petro-Canada's Fort Hills oilsands project is threatened as costs grew 50 per cent to \$21 billion on rising costs and labour shortages.

RICH LIST Microsoft founder Bill Gates is the richest person in the U.S. for the 15th year in a row, according to Forbes Magazine. He owns \$57 billion US.

TOBACCO Philip Morris International announced it has tendered an offer to acquire 67.8 per cent of Rothmans Inc. shares at \$30 each. **REUTERS**

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Foreign investment shrinks:

Non-residents reduced their holdings of Canadian securities to \$5.6 billion in July, Statistics Canada says. While foreign investors sold off equities and bonds, they added short-term instruments for the fourth consecutive month.

Digby windfarm still a go:

A proposed wind farm on Digby Neck is still a go, despite the uncertainty around 50 per cent-partner and Lehman Brothers-owned SkyPower. However, other partner Scotian WindFields said SkyPower is doing business as usual.

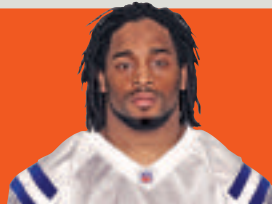
Cow-feed shortages discussed:

Board officials from three Maritime Beef industry commodities met twice last week to discuss a looming feed shortage resulting from heavy rainfall in many Maritime regions. Some hay crops were reduced by 40 per cent while cereal yields were down by more than 30 per cent.

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Calgary quarterback Henry Burris was named CFL offensive player of the week after leading the Stampeders to a 41-30 victory over the Montreal Alouettes. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Sports



Colts' Sanders out for a month

Indianapolis Colts safety Bob Sanders, left, is expected to miss at least the next four weeks because of a high ankle sprain. Sanders was hurt during this past Sunday's game against Minnesota and Colts president Bill Polian provided an update on last year's Defensive Player of the Year during a Tuesday interview with WISH-TV in Indianapolis. Sanders has 15 tackles, including 10 solo, in two games for the Colts this season. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Jays pull off comeback win

Down by six runs, Toronto rallies to take down AL East rival Orioles

With the suspense drained from what little remains of the 2008 season, the Blue Jays have to manufacture their drama somewhere.

Pre-game, they turned to the executive offices. Manager Cito Gaston said he's readying his negotiator's calculator. GM J.P. Ricciardi did his best Alfred E. Neuman, as in, "What, me worry?" Team president Paul Godfrey said he's still on the fence about staying and all the coaches will want to stay close to press scrums for news of their own futures.

Then they took it out on the field in a thrilling seesaw contest that ended with an 8-7 Toronto victory.

For the second straight game, the Jays' streaking September lineup opened by playing dead. On Tuesday, they did it for nine innings, which sort of defeats the purpose. Last night, they dozed for the first four frames.

While Toronto played possum, Baltimore piled on Jays starter David Purcey. Six consecutive hits to start the fifth inning, including a monstrous Aubrey Huff home run, staked the Orioles to a 6-0 lead.

Once down by a half-dozen, the Jays decided the time was ripe to pounce on rookie starter Brian Bass.

Scott Rolen's RBI triple started the comeback. Five batters, two singles and

one hit batsmen later, Alex Rios's two-run double brought the Jays within one run.

An inning later, Joe Inglett's two-out RBI single tied the game 6-6 after six.

Rios led off the seventh with a rope into the left-field stands that gave Toronto its first lead of the series. Baltimore tied it again in the eighth. Pinch-hitter Luke Scott's RBI single made it 7-7.

Toronto retook the lead for the final time in the bottom of the eighth. Rolen started things again with a double. Call-up Curtis Thigpen moved him over to third with a sacrifice bunt. Then Travis Snider cashed Rolen with a sac fly. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**



Toronto Blue Jays starting pitcher David Purcey was roughed up last night by the Baltimore Orioles. But the Jays came back from six runs down to claim the victory 8-7.

Robitaille sues Boots Del Biaggio

NHL Painting himself as a victim, former Los Angeles Kings star Luc Robitaille has launched a lawsuit against a former minority owner of the Nashville Predators in an attempt to recoup the \$2



Robitaille

million Robitaille says was fraudulently taken from him and left him unwittingly in debt to a bank. In a court filing that is part of the bankruptcy proceedings for William (Boots) Del Biaggio, Robitaille says he was left owing a bank \$2 million US after Del Biaggio misused a joint line of credit that had been intended for real estate deals.

Robitaille alleges Del Biaggio put the \$2 million into his own account to fund "fraudulent" schemes and "failing business ventures," and to "continue an extravagant lifestyle."

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Vikings name Frerotte starter

NFL Minnesota Vikings head coach Brad Childress has decided to make a switch at quarterback, replacing an ineffective Tarvaris Jackson with veteran journeyman Gus Frerotte for at least this Sunday's game against Carolina.

The Vikings are off to an 0-2 start after narrow losses to Green Bay and Indianapolis.

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Sports in brief

NHL The Philadelphia Flyers rewarded Mike Richards yesterday, naming the young forward team captain. Richards ranked third on the club with 28 goals to go with a team-leading 75 points over 73 games last season.

NHL Carolina Hurricanes right wing Justin Williams will undergo surgery to repair a torn right Achilles tendon, the team announced yesterday. The 26-year-old is expected to miss the next four to six months. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Man U held to draw

SOCCER Goal-shy Manchester United kicked off their Champions League title defence with a tepid 0-0 home draw against Villareal in their opening Group E match yesterday.

Former champions Juventus celebrated their return to Europe's top flight with a 1-0 win over Zenit St Petersburg while Real Madrid strolled to a 2-0 home win over Belarus first-timers BATE Borisov.

It was the third barren stalemate in as many meetings between United and Villareal after a couple in

the 2005-06 group stage, in which United finished bottom of the group.

A late goal from captain William Gallas earned Arsenal a 1-1 draw at Dynamo Kiev. Olympique Lyon fought back from two goals down to salvage a 2-2 home draw with Fiorentina while Barry Robson missed a penalty for Celtic in their 0-0 home draw with Aalborg. Bayern Munich earned a 1-0 win at Steaua Bucharest while Porto enjoyed a 3-1 home success against Fenerbahce.

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Marchand shows off his pugilist skills

Former Halifax Mooseheads star Brad Marchand dropped the gloves with Jordan Knackstedt at the Boston Bruins' rookie camp on Tuesday, according to Boston.com. The 20-year-old forward returns to Halifax next week as the Bruins are in town for two NHL exhibition games. **METRO HALIFAX**

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A Bona-fide Moose captain

Experienced stay-at-home defenceman happy to sport the 'C'

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There isn't much Graham Bona hasn't experienced in his four-year Quebec Major Junior Hockey League career.

He's been on two first-place teams, one that went to a Memorial Cup and another that suffered an early and bitter playoff exit; he's been on a 60-loss last-place team; and he's sipped from the President's Cup with Sidney Crosby.

And now, the Spryfield native is a captain.

The Halifax Mooseheads made Bona their newest captain yesterday, unveiling the announcement at a press gathering at the Time Out Sports Lounge at the Metro Centre.

"I think I got pretty much most of it all covered," Bona said, of his well-rounded QMJHL resumé. "I've been at the top of the league, I've been at the bottom of the league, I've been in the middle of

the league, I've been everywhere in between.

"I think I can use all those experiences to help this team out."

The 6-foot-3, 225-pound stay-at-home defenceman has appeared in 234 career regular season games, with totals of eight goals and 32 assists. He has also piled up 431 hits (more than 1.8 per game) and is a veteran of 37 post-season games.

He started his career with the Rimouski Oceanic in 2004-05 and won a QMJHL title with Crosby in his rookie season before being traded to Halifax midway through 2006-07.

Bona isn't one for the spotlight, as he declined an opportunity to speak at the podium at yesterday's gathering. But his reserved nature in the public eye gives way to a different personality in the room, head coach Cam Russell said.

"He's a shy guy when it comes to the press, but when he's in his comfort



Mooseheads defenceman Graham Bona does a TV interview after being named the new captain of the Herd.

zone, he's always been a high-energy, vocal guy," Russell said. "That's good. You don't want a dressing room to be like a morgue. He's the perfect choice for us."

Bona will wear the C tomorrow and Saturday nights when the Moose-

heads make their home debut against the Val-d'Or Foreurs and Cape Breton Screaming Eagles.

Growing up in the Halifax area, Bona was a big fan of Jody Shelley, one of the most decorated captains in Mooseheads history. He sounded awestruck

at the notion of following in the footsteps of Shelley, among others.

"All the past captains that have been a part of this organization in the past and there are a lot of big names on the list," Bona said. "I'm just glad to be part of it."

Dry's Head named MVP of NSSBL

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BASEBALL Dartmouth Moosehead Dry's Chris Head was named Nova Scotia Senior Baseball League MVP yesterday.

The New Waterford outfielder led the league in hits (50),

runs (42) and stolen bases (33), and finished with a .410 batting average. He also made the league all-star team.

Head's teammates, Greg West (first base), Joel Irvine (third base) and Steve Nelson (right-handed pitcher) were also all-stars. Ryan Veinot (catcher) and Barrett Bellefontaine (left-handed pitcher) of the Halifax Pelham Canadians also got the nod.

The league announced that the best-of-seven final between Halifax and the Truro Bearcats begins Friday at 7:30 p.m. at Mainland Common.



Head



Saint Mary's Huskies quarterback Erik Glavic is hoping to be able to make his return from injury tomorrow night.

Game-time Glavic 'preparing to play'

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AUS FOOTBALL Erik Glavic would love to shake the "game-time decision" tag, but it's his until he returns to the football field.

The star quarterback is once again hoping to make his return to the Saint Mary's Huskies' lineup tomorrow night at 7 p.m. when the Mount Allison Mounties visit Huskies

Stadium in Week 3 of the Atlantic University Sport season.

He has been out since last year's Uteck Bowl after tearing his anterior cruciate ligament. He hoped to return last week on the road against the Bishop's Gaiters, but called it off after testing out his knee in the pre-game warm-up.

"I'm preparing for this game like I'm the guy who's going to go in and

play," Glavic said. "It's going to be a game-time decision. I'll go out two or three hours before the game, give it a good test, see how it feels, and I'll go from there."

The Huskies, 2-0, would get a big boost from Glavic, who was last year's national player of the year.

Ted Abraham, Nathan Marsman and Patrick Hooley have rotated in and out of the lineup Glavic's absence, but the Huskies

have mostly turned to a run-based offence.

Glavic said the last possible date he'll wait to return is Oct. 11, when the Montreal Carabins are in town. But he's not going back in until he's ready to carry the full load.

"That's one of the reasons I pulled the plug on it last week," Glavic said. "When I go in, I want to say, 'I'm going in, I'm playing the whole game, and I'm 100 per cent.'"

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Real estate in Halifax is always a good investment, says Robert Wombolt, president of the Nova Scotia Association of Realtors. The average house price in Halifax is \$222,000.

Market in Halifax 'very strong'

JON TATTRE
for Metro Halifax

Now's the time to buy property in Halifax, as Nova Scotia's capital bucks the national decline in real-estate trends.

Robert Wombolt, president of the Nova Scotia Association of Realtors, said sales were down 11.5 per cent in August compared to July and that the number of properties listed has also fallen, but the HRM market remains steady.

"It looks like a stable market. The house prices are actually still up over the same period last year,

which is a really good thing," he said yesterday. "When you look at the markets (in the rest of Canada), I think the market in Halifax is very strong."

He cited cooling hot spots like Vancouver, Edmonton, Calgary and Montreal, which had been jumping in "leaps and bounds" in the past few years, while Halifax had remained stable.

"We've had very steady increases in our market. There are no major adjustments in our market — it's always a small adjustment. We're in a lot better shape than other markets across

the country."

Edmonton and Calgary have seen hefty decreases recently, he said, saying drops of 20-40 per cent are not unusual.

The average house price in Halifax is \$222,000.

Forecasting is difficult, Wombolt said, noting that there is no "national" housing market, as each area works on its own scale. But he peered into his crystal ball nonetheless.

"I don't think you're going to see any major changes in the market over here for a while," he concluded. "Real estate is always a good investment."

Canada's major markets are on the retreat, according to statistics released this week by the Canadian Real Estate Association.

"When comparing statistics, remember 2007 was a record year for real-estate sales in Canada," said CREA president Calvin Lindberg. "In light of that fact, our current market can certainly be characterized as stable."

"The Canadian market fundamentals are still solid, and mortgage rates are still at near-record low levels," he added. "The challenge is for sellers to price their home to meet the local market realities, and for buyers to realize there is no real-estate bubble that will burst and send

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prices to new lows."

The average sale price of residential properties sold across Canada was \$316,052 in August.

"Price declines in the pricier major markets are pulling down the overall average price," said CREA chief economist Gregory Klump. "Significantly lower sales activity in Greater Vancouver compared to a

year ago means that the most expensive market in Canada now has less weight in the overall average price calculation," he explained.

"Sales activity is down in a number of resale housing markets in Western Canada that earlier posted hefty price increases. Prices continue rising in other markets where price gains have been more modest," said Klump.

CREA cautioned that average price information can be useful in establishing trends over time, but does not indicate actual prices in centres comprised of widely divergent neighbourhoods or account for price differential between geographic areas.

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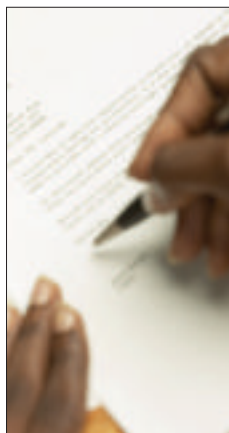
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If you're thinking of owning a residential rental property, there are important legal dimensions to keep in mind.

Know rules if you're renting out

Thinking of supplementing your income with a rental property or unit?

According to recent research, 69 per cent of Canadian homeowners think that owning a residential rental property or renting part of their home is a good investment.

But homebuyers considering this need to keep some important legal dimensions in mind. Work closely with your real estate lawyer to anticipate these issues:

Legal or illegal rental unit?

Provincial and municipal

laws determine whether an apartment is legal. Things to consider include what the unit is to be used for; whether there is legal parking; rules surrounding minimum square footage and number of units allowed by zoning; legality of the rent charged; condition of the property; and required repairs.

Income stream is not guaranteed:

If there is outstanding repair work required, a landlord may not be able to increase the rent for a new tenant until the repairs are done. Depending on the

rules of the specific province, if the property is not well maintained, tenants can obtain a rent freeze or apply for reimbursement for costs associated with repairs.

Don't count on raising the rent whenever you want:

Existing tenants may already have leases that limit when and how the landlord can raise the rent. Although rent increases can usually be taken once a year, there may be complicated legal requirements in terms of the form to be used and how it is to be delivered.

In some cases, the amount of the increase may also be limited by law.

There are condo-specific issues:

Most condominium corporations have restrictions about unit owners renting to tenants. Most allow rentals as long as tenants abide by buildings bylaws and rules.

Other things to keep in mind:

Houses where rooms are rented that share a kitchen and bathroom are often considered boarding houses and may fall under dif-

ferent laws and requirements. Also, renting part of your home may affect the tax treatment of your principal residence by triggering a sale for tax purposes or losing part of its tax-free status for capital gains purposes.

A useful resource for homebuyers is the TitlePLUS Real Simple Real Estate Guide, a website that provides information on what lawyers do and how to avoid fraud, as well as mortgage calculators, a locate-a-lawyer feature and other tools. It is available for free at titleplus.ca.

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Butt out for better air

Financing, furnishing, fixtures and flooring. While these are important considerations for new homeowners, many Canadians overlook the indoor air quality of their home before moving day — a significant oversight considering people spend more than 90 per cent of their time indoors.

Indoor air quality is about five times more polluted than the outdoors with more than 500 pollutants in common building materials.

Traditional paints and chemically based cleaning products can contribute to the poor air quality inside a home, but surprisingly, the most the most harmful and widespread contaminant of indoor air is tobacco smoke.

"Cigarette smoke permeates into furniture, carpets, walls and windows, causing a significant impact on the indoor air quality of your home," says Barbara Nyke, eco-design consultant. "People that live in a home with poor air quality resulting from second-hand smoke can experience eye, nose and throat irritation, headaches, dizziness and other symptoms linked to volatile organic compounds exposure and other airborne toxins."

The following tips can help Canadian homeowners improve the indoor air quality of their homes:



Moving into a new home is a great chance to quit smoking.

- **Do not smoke or allow guests to smoke in your home.** Cigarette smoking is harmful to everyone's health, especially indoor smoking.

Moving into a new home is the perfect opportunity to make a fresh start and quit smoking. Nicotine replacement therapies like Nicorette gum and lozenges or the Nicoderm patch can help you quit smoking for good. Visit reducetoquit.ca for quit tips and strategies.

- **Use natural and eco-friendly materials to avoid chemical exposure.** There are various environmentally friendly and non-toxic or low-toxic materials to make your home functional and inviting.

- **Choose stylish "green" products for your home.** There are many elegant and attractive eco-friendly design materials on the market today, including solid surface and recycled countertops, chemical-free leathers and non-vinyl wallpaper.

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Size matters when buying a condo

JON TATTRIE
for Metro Halifax



When you buy a condominium, you also buy into condo fees. What you get for your money varies widely, and you might not have much control over how much you pay or what it is spent on.

Mary Marson of Exit Realty in Halifax says most fees cover the upkeep of the outside of the building, interior common areas, building insurance and at least one parking space. But they don't cover insurance for your possessions, nor taxes. Some include hot water and heating, while others leave that to the individual owners to pay.

"A lot of newer condos have electric heat, so your fees don't include heat," Marson says. The trinity of factors defining fees are size, services and location.

"If you're looking at townhouses up there in Cowie Hill, where the doors and windows are the responsibility of the condo owner but the roof and out-



A newly constructed condo building on Gladstone Street on the Halifax peninsula.

side of the building and the mowing of the grass and so on are included in the fees, their condo fees are under \$100," Marson explains. "Whereas there are some in Bedford that are over \$300-\$400 a month, but they don't include heat."

That's because when it

comes to condos, size matters.

"They base (fees) on the square footage of the unit," she says. "They're making condos bigger than they did before. You've got more windows, so that's more responsibility for the condo unit to look after."

Bigger condos also mean bigger roofs and more things that can need fixing, so the fees rise.

Condo fees are set by the builder and then handed over to the condo corporation once all the units have been sold. The corporation is composed of all the own-

ers, who elect representatives to the condo board, and the board determines the fees. Fees can and will increase, and what seems a reasonable amount when you buy can rise out of your budget. If the other owners back the hike, there's not much you can do.

A fact about fees

- Your condo fees in a new building are likely to increase after the first year. Many builders will advertise low condo fees to attract buyers. It's common to see a rise of 5 per cent or more within the first two to five years.

All this is distinct from the dreaded emergency expenses. Condo owners can wake to find a bill for thousands of dollars.

"If the roof leaks, or the elevator doesn't pass code anymore, that has to be replaced," says Marson. But if the condo corporation doesn't have the slush fund to pay for it, you have to pony up the money, Marson says.

"That's what happens when you have a condo corporation that's not strong," she says. Condo fees in part build up the slush fund, so if it hasn't been a condo corporation for a long time, it won't have a lot of money saved up.

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Renovation a good investment

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Houses in tip-top condition often attract top dollar from buyers, and if you're trying to sell a home that may not be in the greatest of shape, it may behoove you to invest in a fix-up before you put it on the market.

You do need to ask yourself a couple of questions before you begin, however. How can you maximize your spruce-up on a limited budget? Is it worth fixing up a home given the return you might receive?

Christine Martysiewicz, spokesperson for Re/Max Ontario and Atlantic Canada Inc., says you can beef up your sale by renovating your home, and that it can indeed prove useful given the nature of the housing market. A fix-up can give you the edge.

"It's absolutely worth it," she said.

"In today's competitive marketplace, a renovation is money well-invested.

There are more properties for sale, and a well-maintained house leaves a good impression with the buyer."

Toronto-based real estate agent Mark Albert says a fix-up begins in the kitchen and then the bathroom for good measure, typically the two areas in the house shoppers consider most important.

"They're the rooms in the house that people look at the most and they tend to generate the most interest," he said. "If the house itself looks good, but the kitchen is lacking, it would be a wise idea to fix that."

Kenneth Ho of Biglar-Kinyan Design agrees that the kitchen is the first spot on which to focus. He writes on renovation advice website handy-canadian.com: "The kitchen ... is the busiest room in the house as we prepare and eat at least two meals there each and every day.

"That's why it's the first room that potential buyers look at when they

"[The kitchen] is the first room that potential buyers look at when they walk into a property listed for sale."

Kenneth Ho

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Martysiewicz advises considering an upgrade to hardwood flooring and new energy-efficient windows among your touch ups, both popular and energy-efficient selling points for the buyer.

"It's important to look at it from the buyers' side. They're looking at energy costs, and what they'll have to fix when they get into the home," she said. "It's important to keep it updated."

But gauge whether you would benefit from a renovation, advises Albert. A fix-up for the sake of a sale can often be expensive. He notes that even the most basic one can

rarely be done for less than \$10,000, and Martysiewicz, citing a recent survey Re/Max published, adds an average-income homeowner will spend as much as \$21,000 on a fix-up.

Albert says it may be wasteful in the sense that buyers may have their own plans for what they want to do with the room you just changed. It depends on the condition of the rest of the home.

"Is the house generally in good form? Does it look nice, comfortable and pretty? If so, your investment would be worth it," he said.

"Buyers are savvy, and they can spot a tired-looking house. You wouldn't benefit from your investment in that case."

It need not be expensive, Martysiewicz says a touch-up is possible in even the most basic and cost-effective way.

"You can change your appliances, de-clutter, put on a fresh coat of paint or even replace your handles and doorknobs," she said.



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The most difficult thing about a pear is having patience — waiting long enough for them to be ripe, but not overripe. A firm pear can take up to a week to ripen. To ripen quicker, place in a loosely closed brown paper bag. Handle pears with care to avoid bruising. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Food

"Unlike many fruits, pears should be picked green — they ripen and improve flavour once off the tree."

— Barb Holland/for Metro Canada



Raw or cooked?

For eating, pears should be soft enough to yield to gentle pressure; for cooking, choose pears that are still a little firm.

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What a perfect pear

À la carte

Barb Holland

Metro Food Writer

Crisps are wonderfully easy to toss together and much less stressful than making pastry. There are also wonderfully tasty, particularly served warm with ice cream, frozen yogurt or custard.

Pear and Cardamom Crisp

This is an all-purpose fruit crisp — use seasonal fruit, peeled if necessary and match fruit with spice such as pears with cardamom, peaches with nutmeg or apples with cinnamon. Add some berries or dried fruit — raisins or dried cranberries, or chopped candied ginger. You can also add nuts to topping for a little added crunch. Makes 4 servings.

INGREDIENTS:

- 4 to 5 cups (1 to 1.25 L) sliced (firm but ripe) pears
- ½ cup (125 mL) berries (blueberries, blackberries, fresh or dried cranberries)
- ½ cup (125 mL) oatmeal, rolled oats or quick cooking (not instant)
- ½ cup (125 mL) brown sugar
- ½ cup (60 mL) all-purpose flour
- ½ tsp (2 mL) ground cardamom (or nutmeg or cinnamon)
- ¼ cup (60 mL) melted butter

METHOD:

Preheat oven to 350F



One medium pear has about 100 calories and is a very good source of dietary fibre (remember to eat the skin) and a good source of vitamin C.

(180C). Place pears and berries in a buttered six-cup (1.5 L) baking dish.

Combine oatmeal, flour, sugar and cardamom. Stir in butter until mixture is all moistened; spoon evenly over fruit. Bake 40 to 50 minutes or until fruit is tender and topping is crisp. Serve warm.

Tips:

• **Pick of the Crop:** The most common pear is a **Bartlett**, a bell-shaped, sweet pear with a light green skin that turns yellow when ripe. **Bosc** pears, a later season pear, are elongated with a slender neck, russet-coloured skin and a fine texture. With a more crunchy texture, these hold their shape,

making them good for baking or poaching. **Anjou** pears are more egg-shaped, aromatic and mildly sweet; they show traces of yellow when ripe. Harvested in the fall, these pears store well into the spring.

Barb Holland is a professional home economist and food writer who believes in shopping locally and in season.

Tart has a bittersweet affair

The Modern Baker by Nick Malgieri is a collection of 150 straightforward recipes with gourmet appeal, striving to bring success to even the busiest of bakers, with the bulk of the preparation taking under one hour. DK Publishing offered Metro a recipe for this decadent tart:

Bittersweet Chocolate Tart

Nothing could be simpler — or better — than this tart. The flavour of the filling is of course entirely dependent on the quality of the chocolate you use, so hang the budget and get the best available — you only need a single pound. We're fortunate that chocolate is now labelled with its cocoa content — the actual percentage of ground-up roasted cocoa beans used in the mixture. For this tart, I use chocolate in the 65 to 70 per cent range. More than that might be just a little too bitter.

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 cup heavy whipping cream
- 1 cup light corn syrup
- 1 pound (450 grams) bittersweet (not unsweetened) chocolate, melted and cooled
- 6 tablespoons unsalted butter, softened
- One 10- or 11-inch (25- or 28-cm) Press-In Cookie Dough crust, (recipe available in the book, pg. 165), baked
- 1 tablespoon chocolate shavings for finishing
- Confectioners' sugar for sprinkling

METHOD:

Combine the cream and corn syrup in a medium saucepan and whisk well. Place over medium heat and bring to just a slight



The Modern Baker is available at Amazon.ca for \$23.94.

simmer — about 140°F (60°C). Pour the cream into a bowl and let it cool to 110°F (45°C) — you'll be able to insert a fingertip in the cream and leave it there without any burning sensation.

Pour the cooled cream mixture over the chocolate and use a small whisk to mix it in, just to combine smoothly, without whisking air into the mixture. Let the ganache stand at room temperature until it is cool to the touch, about 85°F (30°C).

Whisk in the butter, a couple of tablespoons at a time. The butter has to be very soft — the consistency of stiff mayonnaise — or it will form lumps. Once all the butter has been incorporated, scrape the filling into the prepared tart shell and smooth the top. Refrigerate for one hour to set the filling.

After the filling has set, bring the tart to room temperature for one to two hours before serving. Just before serving, scatter the chocolate shavings in the centre of the filling and dust them very lightly with confectioners' sugar.

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Documentary looks at magazine work

The Style Network and the U.S. edition of Marie Claire have partnered on a new documentary series called *Running in Heels*. It will take viewers behind the scenes of the magazine and focus on the magazine's editors, writers and interns. **REUTERS**

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Style



Ellen is a CoverGirl

It has been confirmed that Ellen DeGeneres will be the new face of CoverGirl. This will be the first beauty campaign for the comedian and Emmy award-winning talk show host who will appear in new advertisements in January 2009. "Ellen is the quintessential CoverGirl. She is smart, confident, natural, and beautiful from the inside out," said Esi Eggleston Bracey, vice president and general manager, Global Cosmetics, Procter & Gamble Beauty.

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Style File

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ask kim

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Vancouver's Kim Elbo has a passion for fashion. Here she shares the latest style tips.

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coats

The wool coat can usually be summed up with the thought of a double-breasted pea coat, but this year that typical look is out. This fall coats will be a little bit more interesting with oversized lapels, pocket details and different necklines. Tip: Try the coat on in store with layers. You'll be layering quite a bit come late fall so you'll want to make sure there will be enough room for thick knit sweaters or hoodies.

accessory

Want a picture-perfect look? Highlight your cheekbones with this All Over Shimmer Liquid Luminizer by Stila, \$25. Available at sephora.com.



shoes

A tapered heel, a round toe and a thick strap — a perfect formula for a fall shoe. Yes, Mary Janes are back, and they've never looked better. If Mary Janes aren't a staple in your closet already, this is the perfect time to buy; there are loads of designs available to fit your personal style.

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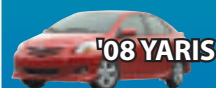
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Tilda Swinton has given the Oscar she won for best supporting actress for her role in Michael Clayton this year to her agent, insisting the trophy "doesn't mean that much." **IMDb.COM**

Entertainment

Kidman project

Actress Nicole Kidman is to produce and star in *The Eighth Wonder*, an action adventure based on an archaeological discovery, it has been reported.

BBC NEWS ONLINE



The rhythm is going to get you

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Did you know that air drumming takes much more energy than regular drumming?

"As a drummer, if you have good technique you can go for hours without getting tired," said Ari Gold.

"But I challenge anyone to go into a semi-squat and air-drum any hard rock song for five minutes and not collapse ... it's a double workout because you've got to go down and up."

Gold would know better than anyone. He's in Halifax for a screening of his film *Adventures of Power*, about a guy living the air drumming dream, sort of.

As well as writing and directing, Gold plays Power,

a laid-off New Mexico mine worker who sets out to change the world through his love of drums. Of course, he can't actually play the drums.

As a movie that ends with Power in the "air-drum fight of his life", the film is firmly in the comedy genre. But it also aims to be smarter and deeper than the average comedy.

"I always wanted to make a political movie. I always wanted to make a spiritual movie. And here was the chance to do it all under the guise of something that's completely ridiculous," said Gold.

The whole thing started when Gold — who can play drums for real — entered an air guitar competition and went up to air drum. The crowd loved it.

The story that came out of that one night has now

Atlantic film fest

• For tickets to *Adventures of Power* or any of the other films, events or parties taking place during the 28th annual Atlantic Film Festival, visit its website at www.atlanticfilm.com. The festival ends on Saturday.

led Gold around North America touring film festivals, and winning several awards.

"Over the course of the movie (*Power*) realizes the thing he did to compensate for not having his dream, is actually good enough. He has everything he needs already within himself," said Gold.

Adventures of Power plays as part of the Atlantic Film Festival tonight at 7:10 at Park Lane.



The *Adventures of Power* plays tonight at Park Lane.

Still plenty to see at the film festival

FILM FESTIVAL The Atlantic Film Festival enters its final three days. It's hard to see the event as being anything but a huge success so far.

Screenings have been packed, and there's been a very strong selection of films this year.

So if you haven't checked out any films yet, it's not too late to start. Here are some promising ones for tonight:

Adventures of Power (Park Lane at 7:10 p.m.): This movie looks so goofy it's got to be good. It's about a New Mexico mine worker named Power, who loves drumming but never learned to play.

Instead he gets into air drumming, and ends up in — how often do you get to hear this? — "the air-drum fight of his life."

Waltz With Bashir (Oxford at 9:30 p.m.): This animated Israeli documentary has been called this year's *Persepolis* — and that's saying a lot.

The film focuses on the events of the 1982 Israeli invasion of Lebanon, particularly infamous massacres at Palestinian refugee camps.

Animated documentaries seem to be becoming more popular, and for good reason.

Stone of Destiny (Park Lane at 9:35 p.m.): It's one of those stories you'd think would be fiction. But this tale of four Scottish university students in 1950 who steal Scotland's fabled Stone of Destiny from London's Westminster Abbey in order to smuggle it back to their homeland is based on true events.

Trevenge/Midnight Meat Train (Oxford at midnight): Tuesday's Metro covered local filmmaker Jason Eisener's new Christmas revenge short *Trevenge*.

Tonight it plays with *Midnight Meat Train*, a film about a man who inadvertently photographs a murder on a late night New York subway, and ends up getting involved with a serial killer.

Oh yeah, it stars Vinnie Jones of *Snatch* and *Lock Stock & Two Smoking Barrels* fame.

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Turning the page on Parton



PHILIP CROUCHER
for Metro Halifax

DOCUMENTARY Halifax producer Brad Horvath is hoping for a great reaction to his documentary *The Book Lady*, which premieres worldwide Saturday at the Atlantic Film Festival.

Well, you can already put down Dolly Parton, the documentary's focus, as a big fan of the film.

"You never know exactly what people are going to think about what you do, but every now and again you hear or see something that reminds you that you are on the right track," the country singing icon said in a statement about the documentary, which looks

into her Imagination Library children's book project.

"The Book Lady captures the heart and soul of the Imagination Library and taught me once again that what we do for children will, in the end, be our legacy."

For Horvath, who co-wrote the documentary with director Natasha Ryan, Parton's reaction is music to the ears. The 23-minute documentary takes a closer look into Parton's campaign for children's literacy, and her Imagination Library program, which mails free, age-appropriate books each month to pre-school children in Canada, the United States and United Kingdom.

"I had admired her music most of my life, and when I heard she was bringing her book program to Canada, I thought it was important story to tell," Horvath said.

"But we didn't make the documentary for Dolly or her

"We wanted to tell people about the program and hopefully show another side to her."

Brad Horvath

organization. We wanted to tell people about the program and hopefully show another side to her."

The documentary took two years to make and includes interviews with Parton, Miley Cyrus and Keith Urban.

Cape Breton fiddler Natalie MacMaster is also interviewed, as the documentary chronicles the launch of the library program in Canada, including at aboriginal communities across Nova Scotia.

The Book Lady will be shown at the Film Festival Saturday at Park Lane 8 at 2 p.m.

"It's always nice for someone to show their work," Horvath said of the documentary debut. "I'm looking forward to people seeing it."

Halifax producer Brad Horvath is looking at Dolly Parton's humanitarian work in *The Book Lady*.

Motown legend dies

Motown producer and songwriter Norman Whitfield, who helped create some of the legendary label's most important anthems, including Marvin Gaye's "I Heard It Through the Grapevine" has died in Los Angeles. He was 65. **IMDB.COM**

★★★★★ A CLASSIC; ★★★★★ EXCELLENT; ★★★ GOOD; ★★ FAIR; ★ POOR

Metallica roars back

Sonya Kitchell, FemBots and Nelly also deliver solid new albums

Metallica

Album: Death Magnetic

Label: Warner

Rating: ★★★★★

JAMES HETFIELD, Lars Ulrich, Kirk Hammett and Robert Trujillo deserve more credit. Calling Metallica a heavy-metal act doesn't do their best music justice. The band's grit-your-teeth, relentless arrangements can be orchestral in scope: Imagine Wagner on a bad day, with access to electric guitars and a stack of Marshall amps. Or a pissed-off Beethoven composing after somebody boxed his ears. Death Magnetic's 10-minute instrumental *Suicide & Redemption* doesn't meander — it evolves. Hard, fast & skillful, but always tuneful and capable of different shades of intensity: That's Metallica at its best, and that's Death Magnetic. **Jim Reyno**



Metallica proves they can still play hard, fast and skillful, but always tuneful and capable of different shades of intensity on *Death Magnetic* — the heavy metal act's ninth studio album.

AlbumReviews

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by-the-balls pose that's eerily reminiscent of Exile-era Stones. This Toronto-based band puts away its arty toys and comes up with gritty, and at times brilliant, rock album filled with anti-gospel hymns (*Good Days*, *God Keep Our Hands Clean*), paranoid road songs (*Get In The Van*), twisted love ballads (*Can I Be Your Mirror*), yarns of dubious glory (*J.L. Recalls His Amazon Adventure ...*) and tales of impending disaster (*Ship Breaking*). The Fembots forge beauty from chaos. **Graham Rockingham**

Nelly

Album: Brass Knuckles

Label: Derrty/Universal

Rating: ★★★★★

THERE ISN'T ANYTHING on *Brass Knuckles* as accessible as Nelly's signature tunes *Ride Wit Me* or *Hot In Herre*. But *Brass Knuckles* is an all-star mix of R&B and hip-hop with some solid hooks throughout. A few tracks really connect: LA with the Snoop and Nate Dogg(s), taken at Snoop's trademark easy pace, while *Self Esteem*, featuring Chuck D, elevates the game lyrically. And *Lie*, with St. Lunatics, is a hummable (if foul-mouthed) tale of cheating/misinformation. *Brass Knuckles* is no knock-out punch, but a good shot. You feel it. **Jim Reyno**

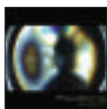
FemBots

Album: Calling Out

Label: Weewerk

Rating: ★★★★★

DAVE MACKINNON and Brian Poirier combine in a got-the-world-



Lindsey Buckingham

Album: Gift of Screws

Label: Reprise/Warner

Rating: ★★★★★

THIS IS PROBABLY Lindsey Buckingham's finest effort since the heyday of Fleetwood Mac. There's plenty of nifty hooks and blistering guitar solos here that will send people running for their old copies of *Rumours* (especially the three tracks on *Gift of Screws* which feature his old bandmates Mick Fleetwood and John McVie). At times, though, Buckingham's guitar sounds as if it's set on hyperdrive, like he's trying a bit too hard, like he's got something to prove. Well, after all those years in the wilderness, maybe he does? **Graham Rockingham**

Solange

Album: Sol-Angel and the Hadley St. Dreams

Label: Geffen/Universal

Rating: ★★★★★

BEYONCÉ'S LITTLE SIS wants you to know that she's not a copycat of her sibling. On the opening track she says, "two girls going in different directions... I'm no sister." She'll be happy to know that most won't compare to her to more famous family member after hearing this disc. While she dabbles in the same R&B vein as Beyoncé, Solange takes a more old-school tone, with her songs

sounding more like Aretha Franklin than modern day urban pop. This disc is a fun throwback that should free her from her sister's shadow. **Bryan Borzykowski**

Ne-Yo

Album: Year of the Gentleman

Label: Def Jam/Universal

Rating: ★★★★★

WITH MICHAEL JACKSON off the radar, there's room for another soulful pop act to take control of the charts. While Ne-Yo doesn't have the same songwriting skills as Jackson, his voice is eerily similar, and his tunes are almost as radio friendly.

The Californian's third disc doesn't deviate much from his previous two efforts. You'll find the same familiar Maroon 5-meets-MJ sound, plenty of soft soothing ballads and lyrics about how Ne-Yo's boyfriend material. It's all a little boring and overdone, but the tunes are catchy enough to keep his dedicated fans on board. **Bryan Borzykowski**



Death Magnetic soars up chart

MUSIC Metallica's first album in five years soared to No. 1 on the U.S. pop chart yesterday, while Jessica Simpson's country debut and hip-hop icon LL Cool J's label swan song faltered.

The hard rock band's *Death Magnetic* sold 490,000 copies during the week ended Sept. 14, according to Nielsen SoundScan. But it was on sale for only three of those days, because it was released worldwide on Friday.

The last Metallica album to stage a larger opener than *Death Magnetic* was 1996's *Load*, which rolled 680,000 units in its first frame. **REUTERS**

In brief

MODEL Former America's Next Top Model winner Adrienne Curry has taken out a restraining order against a woman she accuses of stalking, **imdb.com** reports.

PEOPLE She fills two converted bedrooms with clothes — one for casual and a second for glam. It worked for singer Fergie, who on Wednesday made *People* magazine's 2008 list of best-dressed women. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Gervais 'expanding' wardrobe

Ricky Gervais refuses to lose weight, preferring instead to buy new clothes to fit instead. IMDb.com

Serena to serve memoir

Serena Williams, the world's top female tennis player, will release "an inspirational memoir" in fall 2009, tracking the highs and lows of a career in which she has overcome injuries to regain the women's crown.

Williams, 26, has won nine Grand Slam titles, including four in a row in 2002-2003 which made her the world's No. 1 player. She is renowned for her strength on court as well as her colorful outfits.

But facing various injuries and distracted by off-court interests, Williams slipped from the top until she staged a comeback this year to win the U.S. Open and regain the No. 1 ranking for the first time in five years.

Karen Kosztołnyk, a sen-



Serena Williams, seen here at the Zac Posen spring 2009 collection in New York last week, is the top female tennis player.

ior editor who acquired the book for Grand Central Publishing after a bidding battle, said Williams was one of the world's most remarkable athletes.

But Kosztołnyk also said

it was Williams' charm and drive that gave her a role in modelling, film, television and fashion, with her line of designer clothing called Aneres — Serena spelled backward.

Brokeback Mountain fans pestering author

PEOPLE The author who inspired Oscar-winning movie *Brokeback Mountain* says she's been pestered by fans following the release of the 2005 movie, starring late actor Heath Ledger and Jake Gyllenhaal, which was

based on her short story of the same name.

Annie Proulx insists the tale has become "the source of constant irritation in my private life" because she is harassed by people offering their rein-

terpretations of the tale.

"There are people out there who think the story is open range to explore their fantasies and to correct what they see as an unbearably disappointing story," she said. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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MacPherson under fire

Supermodel Elle MacPherson has come under fire by the Royal Prevention of Accidents in London, England, for cycling with her five-year-old son perched on the handlebars. A spokesman for MacPherson was unavailable for comment. IMDb.com



Above: Naked Cowboy Michael McPhee serenades Krista Shea, left, and Janet Connors at the QE2 Foundation's Comedy Cures.



Above: Stephanie Ray, from left, Ross McNeil, Katherine Mader, Steve Mader, and Greg Keating waiting for Jerry Seinfeld.



Right: Actress Rosanna Arquette at the Atlantic Film Festival Red Carpet Gala.

Right: Lisa Mettley and Christine Halef wait to see Jerry Seinfeld at the Cunard Centre.



Left: The Trailer Park Boys' Cory Bowles and Lucy DeCouture at the Atlantic Film Festival Red Carpet Gala.



Right: James Haughn with daughter Emily Clarke-Haughn at the Italian Festival.



Left: Eclairs in the garbage? Service captain Carrie Hayden poses beside a dessert tribute to Seinfeld.

From New York to Haliwood

HalifaxScene

Jamie Paterson

daughter was indeed the best medicine this past week with one of the comedy world's best in town to help the QE2 raise money. Jerry Seinfeld performed a one-hour show for a sold out Cunard Centre.

The audience, more than willing to pay \$500 a ticket to see their TV hero, was thoroughly impressed. An astounding \$200,000 was raised for the new emergency and trauma centre at the hospital.

The evening was New York all the way, paying homage to the Seinfeld show. Fans recognized the food being served, with "double dipping" nachos and salsa, and mulligatawny soup from the Soup Nazi.

No show reference was overlooked, including Junior Mints and chocolate eclairs served out of garbage cans — a treat for the George Costanza in all of us.

Hats off to Chef Tahir Salamat who brought it all together. Everyone I spoke to loved the show and es-

pecially appreciated Seinfeld's local references to the Citadel noon gun and Tim Hortons.

Thursday saw the kick off of the Atlantic Film Festival with the red carpet party on Argyle Street. Once again I was honoured to serve as "Halifax's paparazzi" by photographing the arrivals and rubbing elbows with some first class talent.

Rosanna Arquette who was in town for the opening of the film *Growing Op*, by Halifax's Michael Melski. The movie madness continues until Saturday night and wraps up with the closing gala at the Marquee.

I'll be there as well, but you may not recognize me. I've recently lost my hair to the Terry Fox Great Canadian Head Shave. I wasn't meant to lose it, but just got caught up in the moment and followed my KOOL FM colleagues Ian Robinson and Caroline Parker to the chair. They tell me it will grow back fast, but meantime as the days grow colder, expect to see me sporting toque.

For the second time since constructing their new building, the Italian Canadian Cultural Association opened the Agricola Street club to the general public. The Italian Festival is an orgy of food and music with a side of culture and language.

Along with gnocchi, cannelloni, and Italian gelato, there was the opportunity to take Italian language lessons and taste test some Italian wines.

Did I mention the food? It's the food that keeps them coming back year after year and sadly, it will be another year before I will taste their classic "pasta al pomodoro and polpetta."

Saturday was a neighborhood block party of Biblical proportions. Every year the residents of Pennington Drive in Beaverbank brace themselves for a summer blow out that includes a live band.

This year a fairly new band known as The Accused provided the entertainment. The lead singer is none other than Q104's afternoon host Tom Bedell, who killed with his cover versions of The Stones and Bruce Springsteen.

Unfortunately my camera was suffering from post-film-fest-fatigue and was unable to snap a shot of the event. But, if Saturday was any indication The Accused has a bright future ahead of it.

After a quick "oil, lube and filter" my camera will be back on the Scene with me in no time. See you next week.

When he's not making the Scene, Jamie Paterson hosts The Drive and The Beatlebrunch on KOOL FM in Halifax



Above: Actors Ian Tench and Jeremy Webb walk the red carpet at the Atlantic Film Festival.



Above: "New Yorkers" Mike Pellerin and Mark Owen add flavour to the QE2 Foundation's Comedy Cures



Above: Rachel Franco and Alexis Milligan at the QE2 Foundation's Comedy Cures.



Sex, politics and television

Palin gets spoofed on Saturday Night Live, out comes gender card

POLITICS IS HOLLYWOOD FOR UGLY PEOPLE That's the old saying, but even if you're not bad looking, you'll still be swimming through a sea of ugly.

There's been very little that you can call edifying in the U.S. election race so far.

It's reached a point where the only thing you can salvage from the whole miserable process is an appreciation of the irony, which has been thick on the ground.

Ever since Sarah Palin was announced as John McCain's running mate, the resemblance of the Alaska governor's resemblance to 30 Rock star and creator Tina Fey started a countdown clock on Fey's inevitable return to Saturday Night Live to pile up her hair and play Palin. As you probably know by now,

Fey was front and centre when SNL returned for the fall season last weekend, sharing a podium with Amy Poehler's Hilary Clinton for a skit that got most of its fuel from the often bitter sexism Clinton dealt with in her ultimately failed bid to

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land the Democratic nomination.

The best line, of course, was "I can see Russia from my house" — Alaska tourism

should use it as a slogan — but the skit got most of its comedic juice from Poehler-as-

Clinton's rage at being called a shrewish, ambitious harridan; delivered in a tone that (irony alert)

made her sound like a shrewish harridan.

Fey played Palin as an oblivious bimbo to Poehler's unhinged gorgon, so unless you're so far down the partisan rabbit hole that objectivity is pretty

much out the window, the skit was a draw.

Unfortunately, McCain's campaign team decided to play the outrage card, and sent McCain advisor and former Hewlett-Packard CEO Carly Fiorina onto MSNBC to protest that Fey's portrayal of Palin was "sexist."

She added that "the portrait was very dismissive of the substance of Sarah Palin, and so in that sense,

they were defining Hillary Clinton as very substantive, and Sarah Palin as totally superficial."

Yes, we got that,

Carly.

The worst thing about election campaigns isn't the lying, but the way they make perfectly intelligent people say the most obvious things as if they were just deciphered by Pentagon code breakers.

What the SNL skit didn't

— or couldn't — mine for its comic potential was that, by the time she was forced out of the primary race, most of the really nasty sexism being directed toward Clinton was coming from her own party.

The democrats are now happily spewing it in Palin's direction without the small but nagging protest from their constituency to make them feel guilty.

By the time the election is over, the U.S. will either have a black president or a woman closer to the oval office than ever before (without, of course, having to sexually service the president to be there.)

Either scenario is arguably a step in the right direction, depending on whose side you're on.

But the really amazing thing is that, considering what has to be endured to get there, that anyone even bothers.

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

Colbert to host Costello and Feist for comedic Christmas special

MUSIC Comedy Central star Stephen Colbert is getting an early start on Christmas, enlisting musicians Elvis Costello, Feist, Toby Keith, John Legend and Willie Nelson for a one-hour holiday special that will air Nov. 23 on the cable network.

"A Colbert Christmas: The Greatest Gift of All!" has something of a narrative arc: Colbert will be snowed in at his cabin in upstate New York and will pass the time with his musically inclined friends.

Original songs will be written for the special by David Javerbaum, the executive producer of "The Daily Show with Jon Stewart," and composer Adam Schlesinger, from Fountains Of Wayne and Ivy. The duo recently collaborated on the Broadway musical "Cry Baby."

Songs and their performers include "Another

Festive funny

• The DVD of the show will be released Nov. 25, with a portion of the proceeds to benefit the charity Feeding America. DVD extras will include a "book burning Yule log," a video advent calendar and alternate endings.

Christmas Song," to be performed by Colbert; "Have I Got a Present for You" by Keith; "Little Dealer Boy" by Colbert and Nelson; "Hanukkah" by Colbert and Jon Stewart; "Nutmeg" by Colbert and Legend; "Please Be Patient" by Feist; "There Are Much Worse Things To Believe In" by Colbert and Costello and "What's So Funny 'bout" Peace, Love And Understanding" performed by the entire ensemble.

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Entertainment in brief

TELEVISION Actress Amy Poehler will be leaving Saturday Night Live in November. After taking maternity leave,

Poehler says she will focus on her upcoming primetime NBC series, a spinoff of The Office.

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	97	97	97	CLT Mysterious Ways		Judging Amy		Last Chapter (Part 2 of 3)				
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Saving Grace

Yes, they were at the crime scene, but they were ... busy. In this new episode, the squad's evidence supervisor, Ed Ligardi, is found dead in a restroom stall at the local cop bar ... just a few feet away from the stall in which Grace and Ham (Holly Hunter, Kenny Johnson) were messing around when he was killed. There's a suspect, but his confession is rather bizarre. 11 PM on SHOW



Commando: On the Front Line

You've heard of journalists embedded with military units in war zones. Filmmaker Chris Terrill did more than that; he trained with one. This series from across the pond follows Terrill and a group of young recruits — some still in their teens — through the grueling training regimen of the Royal Marine Commandos, an elite arm of the British Navy. Those who make it through are sent to Afghanistan — and Terrill follows them there as well. 9 PM on OLN

Johnny Tootall

An aboriginal soldier goes from one war to another in this 2005 made-for-TV drama. Adam Beach plays the title character, who comes home from Bosnia with a new addition to his list of demons: a shameful murder. Now he finds himself confronting his own estranged brother in a battle for sacred land, and there are big decisions to be made. 10 PM on BRAVO

Actor O'Neal, son face drug charge

LEGAL Actor Ryan O'Neal and his son, Redmond, were charged with possessing methamphetamine yesterday following a search of their home, officials said.

O'Neal and his son were booked on suspicion of possessing a controlled substance and each was being held in jail in lieu of \$10,000 US bail.

O'Neal's agent, was not immediately available to comment.

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Scarjo and Mendes team up

Scarlett Johansson and Eva Mendes have joined forces to encourage Americans to recycle their old cellphones. The actresses both star in a new campaign film for the Environmental Media Association. **IMDB.COM**

**Celebrity Buzz**

Kate Hudson happy to get raunchy role

MOVIE Kate Hudson jumped at the chance to star in upcoming movie *My Best Friend's Girl*, because she relished playing a sexually aggressive woman, **imdb.com** reports.

The actress plays a lawyer in the film, which features strong language and sexual content.

Hudson, famed for her romantic comedy roles, ensured she made the most of the explicit script and adult scenes.

"I finally got to swear and say and do certain things that most people say to each other in normal, everyday life," she says. "I got a little taste of what those *Sex* and the *City* girls were up to for so long, which was fun."

Off screen, Hudson is grateful she has maintained a

friendship with ex-husband Chris Robinson, because it makes their four-year-old son, Ryder, happy.

"For me it feels like this isn't about me or (Chris). We did it the right way, which is we knew it wasn't right (to stay together) so we wanted it to be great

for Ryder and we got a happy, happy boy," Hudson says. "We spend a lot of time together. We love our baby. With both of us working all the time and away and travelling it makes it great for Ryder."

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Barton seduces Hartnett?

PEOPLE Mischa Barton spent Monday evening with Josh Hartnett, **femalefirst.co.uk** reports.

The O.C. met up with the actor at the London nightclub Bungalow 8 and after chatting the pair reportedly left for his hotel at the end of the night.

Barton, 22, managed to get the 30-year-old actor's attention by reportedly dancing seductively in front of him as he sat talking to Kings of Leon drummer Nathan Followill, but he was initially unimpressed by her moves.

"Josh looked pretty bored

and was totally ignoring Mischa," a source said. "She persisted though, and kept getting closer and closer to their table while dancing provocatively."

Followill was reportedly unconvinced by Barton's display, and was heard warning Josh off the actress.

The source added to Britain's MailOnline website: "Nathan told him that he thought she talks too much." Despite reportedly going to Hartnett's hotel, Barton is said to have emerged an hour later and returned to her own hotel.

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Baldwin almost ended it all

PEOPLE Actor Alec Baldwin wanted to jump out of the window of his New York apartment after an answer machine message in which he called his daughter a "thoughtless little pig" was leaked on the Internet, **imdb.com** reports.

In his autobiography *A Promise To Ourselves: Fatherhood, Divorce and Family Law*, Baldwin describes how he plunged into a suicidal depression when the

message to 11-year-old Ireland was revealed to the world.

He also blasts bosses of website TMZ.com for publishing the tape last year, insisting the despair it caused almost led to him taking his own life.

"She (Ireland) was off for spring

break with her mother and her phone was turned off for 10 consecutive days," Baldwin says. This had gone on for years now and ... when the beep came, I snapped."

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celebrity brief

Aniston laughs off Mayer heart break reports

RELATIONSHIPS Actress Jennifer Aniston has laughed off reports she is devastated about her recent split from rocker John Mayer, insisting she is happy to move on, **imdb.com** reports.

The former *Friends* star broke up with Mayer in August after several months of dating.

Mayer has since reportedly moved on and reunited with former love Maria Marin — and tabloids claimed Aniston was heartbroken.

But she is keen to show the public she is content with life as a single woman, and claims she doesn't mind the media interest in her love life.

"I've been dealing with it (media speculation) for years and it still feels odd," she tells Britain's *Hello!* magazine. "But I'm grateful that the public is still interested in my life and my movies — and I hope that I can justify their interest. People are so kind, ultimately. And I'm happy so don't worry about me!"

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celebrity brief

Slim isn't easy for Gwyneth Paltrow

PEOPLE Actress Gwyneth Paltrow makes being svelte look easy, but the actress tells Oprah Winfrey that she finds it nearly impossible to stick to a diet, **People.com** reports. "I just cannot diet," Paltrow, 35, said. "I think maybe it's the idea that you can't have something ... I just can't do it." Instead of counting calories, the slender Oscar-winner prefers to work up a sweat.

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celebrity brief

Rihanna suffers from her fame

PEOPLE Rihanna has discovered the negative aspects of fame — she finds life on the road "lonely," **femalefirst.co.uk** reports. Despite rumours that she is romancing fellow singer Chris Brown, the hitmaker insists she doesn't have time to date, and she often ends up sitting in hotel rooms by herself.

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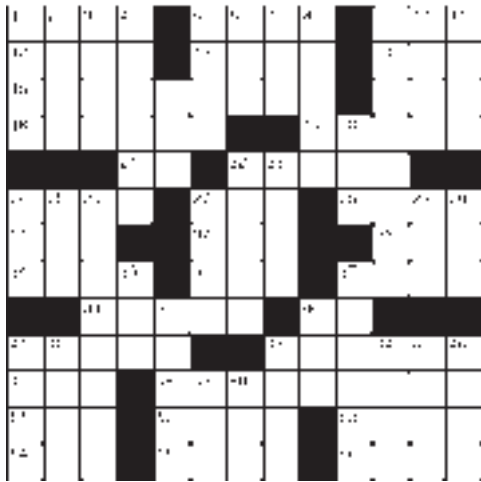
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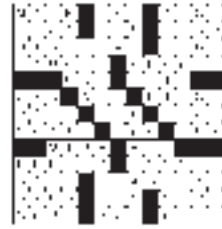
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| 15 Sheik portrayal | 41 Fashion |
| 17 Grazing area | 43 Glum |
| 18 Main course | 47 Melody |
| 19 Indigent | 48 Ratified |
| 21 "Why should I care?" | 51 Oahu souvenir |
| 22 One of Santa's team | 52 Satan's field |
| 24 Donated | 53 Conked out |
| 27 Wrestling surface | 54 Prior to |
| 28 Mounties' org. | 55 Welsh veggie |
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| 1 Macadamize | 26 Maiden of Odin |
| 2 Terrible guy? | 27 Creche trio |
| 3 Pinball no-no | 29 "— Doubtfire" |
| 4 Loath (to) | 30 Vanna's colleague |
| 5 Tardy | 35 Olive — |
| 6 Will Smith biopic | 37 Procession |
| 7 Isle of — | 39 Not bumpy |
| 8 Cheery place? | 40 Coal carrier |
| 9 Orange variety | 41 Garage event |
| 10 On the rocks | 42 Layer |
| 11 Obedience-school lesson | 43 "Got —?" |
| 16 Ultra-modernist | 44 Elevator name |
| 20 Always | 45 Leak slowly |
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PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



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Recipe of the day



Celery Root and Spinach Soup

Celery root (celeriac) makes a rich soup with lots of flavour and a creamy texture.

INGREDIENTS:

- Cooking spray
1 large onion, thinly sliced
1 garlic clove, crushed
1 celery root (about 1 1/4 lb/625 g), peeled and grated
4 cups (1 L) boiling water
1 reduced-sodium vegetable bouillon cube, crumbled, or 2 tsp (10 mL) vegetable bouillon powder
2 cups (500 mL) washed and trimmed spinach
Pinch of nutmeg
Salt and pepper
Garnish with fresh chives

METHOD:

1. Heat a large saucepan coated with cooking spray over medium-high heat. Add the onion and garlic, and cook until the onion is softened but not browned, about 5 minutes. Add the celery root. Pour in the boiling water and add the bouillon cube or powder. Bring to a boil, then reduce the heat

to low and cover the pan. Cook the soup until the celery root is tender, about 10 minutes.

2. Add the spinach to the soup and stir well. Increase the heat and bring the soup to a boil, then remove the pan from the heat. Cool the soup slightly and then puree it, in batches, in a blender or food processor until smooth. Alternatively, you can puree the soup in the pan using a handheld blender. The soup will be fairly thick.

3. Reheat the soup, if necessary, then stir in a dash of nutmeg, salt and pepper. Ladle the soup into bowls. Garnish with fresh chives and serve immediately. **SERVES 4**

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Horoscopes AVATAR VENUS

ARIES MARCH 21-APRIL 20

A misunderstanding might be forgotten. There's a reason to celebrate in spite of turmoil. Your progress is affected by a long conversation.

LIBRA SEPT 23-OCT 23

You'll tell people exactly how you feel. You have a talent for dealing with quirks. You'll get insight from offensive situations and people.

TAURUS APRIL 21-MAY 21

A control freak has a disarming chat. Attend a social event in the company of others. Don't investigate any mysterious behaviour.

SCORPIO OCT 24-NOV 22

Dreams help you to understand emotional problems. People comment on your moodiness. Your anxiety about promises is misplaced.

GEMINI MAY 22-JUNE 21

A neutral person becomes involved in a crisis. A relative questions your life choices. A budget crisis will give grief at home.

SAGITTARIUS NOV 23-DEC 21

A friend will create a temporary disturbance. Simple pleasures produce harmony at home. Someone's cowardice causes unwise behaviour.

CANCER JUNE 22-JULY 22

Close the door on a poorly behaved person. Take action to restore ethics to business. Do not respond to messages that are less than urgent.

CAPRICORN DEC 22-JAN 20

Pay attention to a friendly woman. A personality change inspires someone to take charge. Gloating will cause resentment to build.

LEO JULY 23-AUG 23

An erratic friend causes fresh frustration. Make some thrilling changes possible. A job will take longer than expected.

AQUARIUS JAN 21-FEB 18

A power play leads to a bonding experience. Give someone a chance to run and hide. Forestall a confrontation by being considerate.

VIRGO AUG 24-SEPT 22

A sweetheart's coldness results in short-lived pain. A memorable encounter takes place. A flirtation heats up your daydreams.

PISCES FEB 19-MARCH 20

Karma kicks in and everyone has a good laugh. A man forgot to keep a promise to a woman. A stubborn person gives a warning.

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Atlantic Superstore
650 Portland St.
Nova Communications
167 Trider Avenue
Wacky Wheatley's
122 Main St.

DIGBY
Peck Audiotronics
163 Hwy. 303

ELMSDALE
DownEast Communications
269 Hwy. 214

FALL RIVER
DownEast Communications
Fall River Plaza

GLACE BAY
The Rolling Phones
Peoples Mall

GREENWOOD
Alliant Store
Greenwood Mall

HALIFAX
Alliant Store
Halifax Shopping Centre (upper and lower)
201 Chain Lake Dr.
5475 Spring Garden Rd.
CBC Telecom
380 Bedford Highway
DownEast Communications
Maritime Centre
Sobeys, Halifax Shopping Centre Annex
Scotiabank Square
West End Mall
Wacky Wheatley's
201 Chain Lake Dr.

LIVERPOOL
MacPhersons
137 Bristol Ave.

LOWER SACKVILLE
DownEast Communications
Sobeys, 752 Sackville Dr.
Atlantic Superstore,
745 Sackville Dr.

NEW GLASGOW
Alliant Store
Highland Square Mall

NEW MINAS
Alliant Store
County Fair Mall
Wacky Wheatley's
8961 Commercial St.

NORTH SYDNEY
The Rolling Phones
North Sydney Mall

PORT HAWKSBURY
The Rolling Phones
Shediac Plaza
Sobeys, 622 Reeves St.

PORTER'S LAKE
DownEast Communications
5228 Hwy. 7

SAULNIERVILLE
Seashore Electronics/
The Source by Circuit City
Saulnierville Mall

SHELBURNE
Video Focus
32 King St.

SYDNEY
The Rolling Phones
465 George St.
516 Grand Lake Rd.
Mayflower Mall

SYDNEY RIVER
The Rolling Phones
Value Check Plaza

TANTALON
DownEast Communications
Sobeys, Hubley Centre

TRURO
Alliant Store
Truro Mall
DownEast Communications
Sobeys, 985 Prince St.
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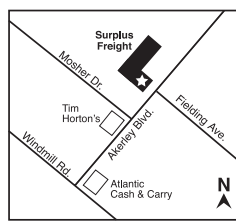
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